

Necrology - 1937

Alabama.

## MRS. LENA POLK SIMINGTON DIES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS AT TUSKEGEE

Beloved Woman Was Wife of Dr. A. D. Simington

Mrs. Lena Polk Simington, the wife of Dr. A. D. Simington, passed into the great beyond, after a short illness, Friday evening, January 8th, at Tuskegee, Alabama. Funeral services were held for her in the chapel at Tuskegee Saturday morning, conducted by the rector of the Episcopal church. Remarks were made by Rev. Mr. Richardson, the chaplain of Tuskegee Institute. Her body accompanied by her husband, Dr. Simington, her sister, Mrs. J. C. Caldwell and friend, Mrs. C. C. arrived in Nashville Sunday morning and was carried to the home of her sister, Mrs. Caldwell, where it was viewed by her many friends.

Monday at 2 p. m. services were held at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Rev. Cochran, rector, being ill, Rev. Mr. McCloud conducted the services.

Mrs. Simington was the youngest daughter of the late Robert and Celia Polk, old and prominent citizens of this city. She was educated in the public schools and Fisk University. After finishing school, she married and went to Mobile, Alabama where she taught school and did social service work and was a potent factor in the life of the children of that city. Her interest in them tied them to her by a cord stronger than steel and by a love as lasting as the ages.

When the Veterans Hospital was established at Tuskegee, Dr. A. D. Simington was chosen one of the doctors in that institution and for thirteen years his wife has been an ardent and earnest worker among the veterans of that institution, and especially did she labor among the children, organizing and conducting a Sunday School with more than one hundred students. The rector speaking of her said, "She will never die here for she lives in the hearts of all who came in contact with her." Her name is enshrined in the hearts of the people, and the children, who are saddened and bowed down with unspeakable sorrow. Those who loved her best will find her always present. They will see her enthroned in every heart that kindles with sympathy to others. At all times and every where she gave her strength to the weak, her sympathy to the suffering, her life

to her people and her heart to God." Numerous attest how she was loved. The many telegrams, resolutions, and flowers, wreaths and designs in and revered. She is survived by her husband, Dr. A. D. Simington, two sisters, Mrs. J. C. Caldwell and Miss Lula Polk, one brother, Mr. Andrew Polk of Guthrie, Ky., one brother-in-law, Dr. J. C. Caldwell, two nieces, Miss Amelia B. Smith, Mrs. J. W. Sims, Fort Worth, Texas, one nephew, Oliver W. Smith, other relatives and friends.

We cannot say, we must not say That she is dead, She is just away! With a cheery smile, and a wave of the hand

She has wandered into an unknown land

And left us dreaming how very fair It needs must be since she lingers there;

So think of her faring on, as dear In the love of There as the love of Here.

Think of her still as the same, and say

She is not dead, she is

## BURY TUSKEGEE

## BUSINESS MAN

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Feb. 1—(ANP) — Funeral services for Benjamin T. Pearson, well-known business man and community leader, who passed away at his home in Greenwood Saturday, after an intermittent illness of several months, were held here Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mr. Pearson was a graduate of Tuskegee Institute, class of 1909.

## FINE PASTOR PASSES AT HOME

Dr. J. W. Goodgame's  
Death Real Shock To  
Birminghamians

"L. K." TO ATTEND

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., (USNS)—

Rev. J. W. Goodgame, pastor of the Sixth Avenue Baptist Church and Birmingham's most outstanding church leader and builder died at his home Tuesday morning following a short illness.

The passing of Rev. Goodgame whose name was a household word with Baptists and many other Christians of this district, spread around town like wildfire.

Rev. Goodgame was born and reared in Talladega, Ala. and received his college training at Talladega College. Before coming to Birmingham he served as minister to a church at Anniston.

He has served as pastor of the Sixth Avenue Church for 29 years and was 69 years old at the time of his death. Rev. Goodgame built on the southside one of the largest and most expensive Baptist churches to be found anywhere in America. Just a few years ago, at his suggestion, the church built a modern Sunday School room as an addition on the church. The institution will serve as a monument to Christianity, the Baptist and to the able fallen leader, Rev. Goodgame.

Active in interracial goodwill and a recognized leader of colored citizens of Birmingham for the past twenty-five years Rev. Goodgame served as teacher of the International Sunday School lesson a representative of the foreign mission board of the state of Ala., treasurer of the state Baptist Convention and on various other

boards.

He is survived by a wife, Mrs. O. C. Goodgame; three sons: Rev. J. W. Goodgame, Jr., pastor of the 22nd Street Baptist Church, Carlton Well, Roscoe Well; five daughters, Mrs. Fannie Jordan, Mrs. Minnie O. Hill, Anniston, Ala.; Mrs. Jennie Jeter of Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Lucy Gresham of Erie, Penn.; Miss Vera Wells; one sister, Mrs. Georgia Taylor; one brother, Walter Goodgame, Talladega.

The body will lie in state at the Sixth Avenue Baptist Church from 11 a. m. Friday to 11 a. m. Saturday night a moonlight picnic was day when the funeral will be con-enjoyed.

There were a large number of colored doctors from all parts of the state in attendance. During the two days, speakers discussed many the problems of medicine.

Florence, Ala., Herald

June 25, 1937

## NEGRO EDUCATOR DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Y. A. Wallace, 89, one of Florence's most intelligent and worthy negroes, died at his home on West College street Monday morning following a short illness.

Wallace was the only negro member of the Florence Chamber of Commerce. He was well educated and served as principal of the Slater negro school, South Court street for a number of years. Among his pupils were: Oscar DePriest, former negro congressman of Chicago; William Handy, noted musician, and Judge Toney, negro, of New York.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the negro Methodist church on South Court street.

Surviving are a number of cousins in this section, as well as in South Carolina.

Murfreesboro, Tenn., Courier  
June 18, 1937

## Colored Doctors Hold Meet Here

## Local Man Heads State Association

The 1937 annual convention of the Volunteer State Medical association, composed of the colored physicians and doctors of the state was held here last Wednesday and Thursday.

Dr. E. A. Davis of this city was elected president of the association. Clarksville was chosen as the 1938 meeting place.

Mayor W. A. Miles delivered the address of welcome at the Wednesday night session, Dr. J. B. Black, county health officer, spoke Thursday morning, discussing diseases that are prevalent in this section, and means of eradicating them.

Wednesday night a ball was held at Holloway High school and Thursday night a moonlight picnic was day when the funeral will be con-enjoyed.

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# BISHOP W. A. FOUNTAIN, GEORGIA PRELATE, OTHERS PAY TRIBUTE TO FALLEN DR. NEWSOME

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — (SNS)

Notables of many denominations, together with friends and former members, joined in paying their last respects to Dr. H. M. Newsome last Saturday at the St. John Church. Dr. Newsome's body arrived in Birmingham about five o'clock last Sunday morning and lay in state at the St. John Church until funeral time.

Last Saturday a week ago, the minister was the victim of heart seizure, dropping dead on the streets of Newark, N. J. where he was pastoring the St. James A. M. E. church.

Services started shortly before one o'clock, being held up because of a tie up of the baggage of one of the members of the family at the railroad station.

The program was dominately in the hands of ministers who paid the 'Big Brother' glowing tribute. Three-minute speeches were made by several ministers.

Oratorical tributes surged when it was decided that the program might run out of conformity with the 'rush plans' because a decision had been reached to put the body on a night train for Montgomery where it was to be buried instead of the afternoon train.

Dr. J. R. Burghes delivered a calm and interpretative eulogy in which he pictured a beautiful eternity.

Bishop W. A. Fountain of Atlanta glorified the gripping friendship that had existed between them and Dr. Newsome. "He has left his children something that men of great wealth could not have necessarily left them," said Bishop Fountain. As he talked of the blessing of a good father the solemn tranquility of the audience cracked, allowing emotions to seep out into sounds. "He believed in education and doing things. He was a broad scholar who saw life in terms of the universe. His ideas were too far ahead of the people who often misunderstood him," said the Atlantan.

Bishop B. G. Shaw churned up the already deeply-stirred emotions when he told the members of the church that they should complete it as a monument of the man they misunderstood.

Dr. E. Mitchell, dean of Morris Brown, said, "I knew Dr. Newsome when I scarcely knew myself. Dr. Newsome was a spirit, a spirit not

daunted, one that penetrated and gave life. Men have done things they thought they could not do because they have caught the spirit of Newsome."

Rev. Polk dubbed the deceased minister "a big brother" and said further, "To know him was to love him." Dr. H. M. Mickens and Rev. J. S. Thompkins gave talks also.

Resolutions were made by the Ministers' Wives Council and on behalf of the ministry. The latter being read by Rev. J. W. Walker. The obituary was read by Rev. F. H. Jackson.

Funeral services were held for Dr. Newsome at the St. James church in Newark last Thursday. His body was shipped to Montgomery on the Pan-American last Saturday night. Brief interment ceremonies will be held there and the body buried in the family lot.

Dr. Henry Newsome, born in Russell County, Alabama, was about sixty years old.

He began preaching when he was 19 years old. He also taught school for a while. He was a graduate of Morris Brown University. His name is listed with the founders of Bethel College near Montgomery.

Dr. Newsome was an influential minister of this city and state and had rapidly gained national recognition through the boostings he received while a candidate for bishop of the A. M. E. connection.

Survivors are a wife- five children, three daughters and two sons, and relatives.

Bradford Funeral Home was in charge of the body.

# Noted Builder Thomas Cornelius Windham Is Funeralized <sup>7-22-31</sup> Monday

By EMORY O. JACKSON

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—(SNS)—

Hundreds of people jammed spacious Sixteenth Street Baptist Church Monday morning at eleven o'clock to pay their last respects to one of Birmingham's greatest builders, Thomas Cornelius Windham who died at his home Friday morning.

Contractor, churchman, financier, real estate dealer, Mr. Windham was dubbed "by his former pastor, Dr. C. L. Fisher, as a man God blessed because "he was a good steward of God's possessions." In the funeral oration, Dr. D. F. Thompson, pastor of Sixteenth Street Baptist church, said that he was "a man too big to act little."

Tributes were paid to the 'builder' by members of his church (Sixteenth Street Baptist Church which he built) by E. A. Bradford, trustee and C. T. Mabry, deacon. J. E. Kelly, of the Elks, in a jargon descriptive of Elk fellowship, said, "Old pal, you can't have fun with us any more." Mr. Foster, (white) representing the Birmingham Trust and Saving Bank, characterized him as a 'living example of the proper relationships between the races.' G. W. A. Johnson of Tuskegee Institute, said he kept his sleeves rolled up for that institution. Dr. A. M. Townsend and Rev. J. R. Matthews also spoke.

The obituary was recited by Mrs. M. L. M. Hooks who also read the telegrams.

A ridge of florals was banked around the rostrum, the flower-laden metal casket resting in front of the pulpit, also laden with flowers.

Survivors are his widow; a son, L. S. Windham; two daughters, Mrs. Calvin McKissack of Nashville and Mrs. T. C. Abernathy; a brother, B. L. Windham; and a sis'er, Mrs. H. W. Johnson, Monroe, La.

Interment was at the Grace

Hill Cemetery. Mary E. Strong Undertaker was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

## FUNERALIZED



T. C. WINDHAM  
—widely known contractor and benefactor, once rated a millionaire, who was buried Monday. His death followed a long period of irregular health.



# Windham, Noted Contractor Succumbs In Birmingham

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 30—(Special)—Thomas Cornelius Windham, 57, the noted building contractor of the entire South, died at his residence here on the eve of his 58th birthday Friday. Mr. Windham was the senior member of T. C. Windham and Son, Building Contractors, and had been one of the outstanding business figures in Birmingham for the past 35 years.

The esteem in which Mr. Windham was held by his hundreds of friends of both races was evidenced by the huge floral offerings which were banked high about the casket. The services were held at the Sixteenth Street Baptist church Monday morning. He was laid to rest in the family lot beside the body of his daughter, Rose Windham Merrill.

**Refused to Give up**  
Mr. Windham's health had been failing for a year or more. He had been advised by his physicians to take a vacation from the cares of his large number of business enterprises but failed to give heed to the warning and worked with unwavering interest and zeal almost to the day of his death. His last building contract at Tuskegee Institute is declared to have hastened his end. The building program at this famous institution had been one of the pet projects of the Windham firm from the very beginning of the famed school founded by the late Booker Washington.

Mr. Windham had been a boon companion and co-worker with the distinguished principal of the modern industrial school. The Washington dream took definite and beautiful permanent shape under the guidance of the practical mind of "Tom" Windham. The dreamer Moton and the builder Windham, working hand in hand, have given to the Race the first successful and substantial result of a great social idea for the Race. Moton dreamed, Windham built and thus Tuskegee stands an imperishable monument to the genius of three great Americans.

Mr. Windham was one of the notable characters in the National Baptist church organization. He financed and built the large and handsome structure of the National Baptist Publishing House at Nashville, Tenn., at a cost of \$650,000. His firm designed and built the \$35,000 home of Dr. R. R. Moton, ex-president of Tuskegee Institute, at

Capahosic, Va. At Mulga, Ala., the Windham firm is completing a \$1,000,000 building project for the Mulga Village community, white.

With an A-1 Dunn and Bradstreet rating, the Windham house has stood a synonym for sound business character for more than 40 years. In the busy commercial city of Birmingham no business organization holds a higher place in the respect of the entire community than the Windham firm. This high place has enabled the house to finance many of its more important building projects with satisfaction and success. This fact came to the fore in the building of the \$800,000 Masonic Temple at Birmingham. Completed, this imposing structure stands as one of the architectural accomplishments in this important commercial center of the New South.

Extensive property holdings in the cities of Chicago, Illinois, Nashville, Tennessee, and Birmingham, Ala. afford the House of Windham an important place in the commercial life of those business centers. The Chicago holdings are rated well above the \$500,000 mark. The firm also maintains offices in the several cities named above each one manned by capable members of the official staff of the firm. Several large building contracts remain to be completed by the firm which are planned to be constructed under the direction of Lewis S. Windham the son and partner of the deceased head of the house.

The widow, Mrs. Edmonia Bramlette Windham, Lewis S. Windham, Mrs. T. Corina Abernathy of Birmingham and Mrs. Geneva McKissack of Nashville, Tenn., daughters, one sister Mrs. W. B. Johnson of Monroe, La., and B. L. Windham, a brother, survive.

## PAY TRIBUTE TO BLOUNT AT BIER

### Fraternal Leader Praised For Great Organization Idea A PIONEER

By EMORY O. JACKSON  
BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—(SNS)—

Friends and former followers of Richard Anderson Blount, past grand chancellor of the Alabama Knights of Pythians, were paying tributes paid to the "fraternal figure" at his funeral Saturday morning in the Sixteenth Street Baptist church.

Dubbing Mr. Blount the "greatest fraternal leader Alabama has ever known", James E. Kelly, grand secretary of the Elk Order, said, "he was so true to his friends that he permitted them to misuse him." He further asserted that thousands are out of the Pythians today because they felt that Blount did not get a square deal.

Rev. C. L. Fisher, of Selma, former pastor of Sixteenth Street Baptist church, of which Mr. Blount was a member, delivered the funeral oration. Backgrounding his message in one of the Psalms, Rev. Fisher stressed loyalty and living fruitfully.

C. E. Johnson, city school teacher and Y.M.C.A., devotee, told of his working with Mr. Blount during last week and the day before his death, writing the dictated items and accounts of activities of the Alabama Knights of Pythians. Mr. Johnson spoke of the deceased's interest in Y. M. C. A. work and the Sunday school. Mrs. Lillian Stone Moore sang a solo.

Floral wreaths were heaped about the

metallic casket and the Pythians seated according to their ritualistic customs. Little more than half filled was the big church. Sporadic outbursts of emotions shot tearfully from the family. Umhumns and amens swelled roundly as speakers eulogized the man who once headed the Alabama Pythians for thirty years. Interment was made in the Enon Ridge cemetery with Jordan Undertaker in charge.

Death slept with Mr. Blount Tuesday night, leaving him cold about six o'clock Wednesday evening. He is reported to have come home Tuesday night from the activities of the Pythians, meeting in grand session in Birmingham last week, rejoicing about the "fine time" they had.

Coming to Birmingham in 1887, Mr. Blount soon established himself in the fraternal life of the city. From 1901 to 1931, he served as grand chancellor of the Pythians and at the time of his death held the office of deputy grand chancellor of the order, an appointment made by Grand Chancellor Oscar W. Adams.

## BLOUNT IS DEAD IN BIRMINGHAM

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 12—R. A. Blount, Past Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias of Alabama, was found dead here last Wednesday morning. He had attended a meeting of the Grand Lodge, where he made an address the evening before and retired apparently in good health. Death was believed due to heart failure.



# ALVIN BOOTH, ARIZONAN OF NOTE, IS DEAD

## Drove Democratic Donkey On Which Governor of State Rode

GLOBE, Ariz.—Alvin T. Booth, outstanding citizen here for nearly a century and one of the state's wealthiest Negroes, died here on March 16, at the age of 69 years.

Mr. Booth was known as a banker, a porter and an early-day character of almost legendary proportions.

He is remembered as the man who drove the Democratic donkey on which the later governor, G. W. P. Hunt, rode into Arizona. Booth was associated with Hunt in the mercantile and banking business.

Born in Hillsboro, Texas, in 1868, Booth came to Arizona in 1892 with J. N. Porter for whom he had worked as a porter in Hillsboro National bank. Porter established a cattle and mercantile business at Fort Thomas and employed Booth there for many years. When Porter opened the First National bank in Globe, Booth became one of the stockholders.

Was Delegate to Negro Congress. In later years he was associated with Governor Hunt. Booth owned extensive real estate holdings and had interest in several utility corporations.

In 1925, Booth was a delegate from Arizona to the National Negro Congress held at the St. Stephen's Baptist church in Kansas City, Mo., of which the late Rev. J. W. Hurse was pastor. The Arizonan visited in Lawrence and Leavenworth while in this section of the country.

The funeral was held at the Church of God in Christ on March 21. Burial was in the Booth plot in the Globe cemetery beside the body of Mrs. Booth who died a year ago.

Booth is survived by a daughter, Mrs. R. A. Lewis of Winslow, Ariz.; four grandchildren, Mrs. Irene Tucker of Winslow, Mrs. Rena Stephenson of Joplin, Mo., Mrs. Ollie Gray and Miss Bobbie Lewis of Winslow; and two great-grandchildren, Baby Gray and Wallace Smith of Winslow.



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California.

## Beverly A. Johnson, Noted Caterer, Dies In Sacramento Home

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Beverly A. Johnson of 1801 G. street, died here this week of old age at Sutter Hospital. He was eighty-eight years old. Mr. Johnson had been a caterer at the California State Fair for the past fifty-nine years, in fact, he was the only caterer for the board of directors from the time when the fair grounds were at Twentieth and H streets. From that first luncheon of sandwiches and lemonade through the prosperity of his spacious restaurant with a wide variety of delectable delicacies he served them himself. It was only in the last few years that his strength was so reduced that he had to supervise the serving from a stool in the kitchen.

Mr. Johnson was considered one of the most careful students of Shakespeare and Dickens in this section of the state. When the day's work was done he was wont to retire to his study and enjoy his books. The two authors mentioned were his favorites.

Washington, D. C., was Mr. Johnson's native home. He came to California in 1868 by way of Cape Horn. The Central Pacific Railroad Company was one of his first places of employment. He later engaged in the wood business but soon became interested in catering.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Louise McCard of Oakland, and a son, Harry O. Johnson of Sacramento; grandfather of Miriam, Owen and Beverly McCard also Mrs. Theresa Danely, and Helena and Calvin Harper; and great-grandfather of Beverly and Patricia McCard also Margaret and Theresa Danely.



# H. A. Murray Dies Suddenly In 46th Year

Survivors include his parents, his widow, Mrs. Eleanor Lee Murray; one son, Harvey Lee Murray, a student at Howard, and a sister Mrs. Olivia Bailey, all of this city.

## Delaware Physician Succumbs After Hemorrhage

WILMINGTON, Del. — Dr. Harvey A. Murray, the first Negro member of the Wilmington Board of Health, died suddenly on Thursday evening, Oct. 21, twenty minutes after being admitted to the Homeopathic Hospital here.

Dr. Murray, an active physician here since 1914, was stricken at his home, 427 East Ninth Street, late Thursday evening and died of a cerebral hemorrhage. He was forty-six years old at the time of his death.

Born in this city in 1891, Dr. Murray is the son of Emmanuel and Mrs. Annie Murray. He was educated in the local public schools and later was graduated from the medical school of Howard University. His internship was completed in Freedmen's Hospital in Washington.

Returning to Wilmington in 1914 Dr. Murray began the practice of medicine in December of the same year and continued until the time of his death. He had been attending physician at the Colored Girls Industrial School at Marshallton for the past ten years. Judge Herbert L. Rice appointed him to the Board of Education in 1931 and he had served two terms in that capacity. Previous to his board position, Dr. Murray had been a member of the Wilmington Board of Health, and was head physician at the State Health Center.

His fraternal affiliations include membership in the Star of the East Lodge, No. 1, F. and A. M.; Corinthian Consistory, No. 5, A. A. S. R. M.; Suakim Temple, No. 30, A. E. O. N. M. S.; Paul Lawrence Dunbar Lodge, No. 106, of the Elks, of which he was medical examiner, and the Bethel A. M. E. Church. In the Masonic Order, Dr. Murray was a 32nd degree Mason.



at the age of 88.

# George Scurlock Aged Lawyer Dies At Home

Resolutions of esteem were read from the board of trustees of the church of which Scurlock was a member. The Washington Bar Association, the North Carolina Club, the Emancipation Association, and Frelinghuysen University also sent resolutions.

Fraternal services were conducted by the A. K. Manning Lodge Order of Odd Fellows and Prince Hall Lodge of Masons.

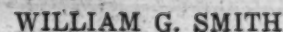
Surviving Mr. Scurlock are his two sons; Dr. H. S. Scurlock and Addison N. Scurlock; a daughter Mattie G. Scurlock, seven grand children and one great-grandchild.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14—The Rev. Dr. Francis J. Grimke, who had pastored the Fifteenth Street Baptist church here for more than 50 years and the oldest living graduate of Lincoln University, died here at 6 o'clock Monday morning. He would have been 87 years old November 4.

Dr. Grimke was born in Charleston, S. C., the son of Henry and Nancy Weston Grimke. He received his bachelor degree from Lincoln in 1870, and the degree of doctor of divinity in 1888. He was graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1875, and ordained into the Presbyterian ministry in the same year.

He entered upon the pastorate of Fifteenth Street Baptist Church in 1878, and held the charge, except for four years (1886-1889).

## Funeral Services Hold For Well-Known Fraternal Man and Lawyer



With all of the sublimity of the ceremony led to receiving the Masonic Order, the funeral service of Arts degree in 1915. Subsequently of William G. Smith, well-known she did additional work known Washingtonian and member of Columbia University toward the bar, was held Monday from Doctor's degree in Education.

the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, of which he had been a member for 35 years. The Rev. Walter H. Brooks, pastor, officiated. He was assisted by the Rev. Henry J. Booker. Mr. Smith, who died Friday at his home, 2008 Twelfth St., N.W., had lived in the District since 1890. His native home was in Covington, Ky. He graduated from the school of law, Howard University in 1892 and began the practice of law in 1894.

Mr. Smith was a member of the Howard University she became on Knights of Pythias. The John W. July 1, 1922, Dean of Women and Freeman Grand Commandery of Associate Professor of English. that order convened in a special The Howard Board the following conclave and attended the funeral June advanced her academic rank in a body. to that of Professor of English.

The most worshipful Acacia Grand Lodge, FAAM, also convened in a special communication for the purpose of attending the service. Mr. Smith was a past deputy grand master.

The Masonic burial rites were rendered by the St. John Lodge, of which Mr. Smith was a past master. Layton K. Sawyer is the present master of the lodge.

Mr. Smith is the husband of, the late Marie I. Smith. He is survived by two sons and one daughter, Lieutenant Oscar H. Smith, William E. Smith and Mrs. Mary R. Wilson. Interment was in Payne Cemetery.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Lucy D. Stowe, Dean of Women, Howard University, died at her residence 1256 Kearney Street, Washington, D. C., Thursday evening October 21, 1937 at eleven o'clock.

Miss Slowe was a graduate of Howard University receiving the Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1908. She entered the institution in the Fall of 1904 upon receipt of a scholarship granted her following the completion of work in the elementary and high schools of Baltimore.

Upon graduating from Howard she was appointed to teach English in the Douglass High School of Baltimore, Maryland, where she remained for seven years. Post-graduate work at Columbia University led to receiving the Master of Arts degree in 1915. Subsequently she did additional work at Columbia University toward the Doctor's degree in Education.

**Goes To Washington Schools.**  
Following her teaching experience in Baltimore she came to Washington as a teacher in the Armstrong High School. After four years of service she was, in September, 1919 designated to organize the first Junior High School for colored children in Washington. She thus became the first principal of the Shaw Junior High School and remained its principal until June 1922, when, by action of the Board of Trustees of Howard University she became on July 1, 1922, Dean of Women and Associate Professor of English. The Howard Board the following June advanced her academic rank to that of Professor of English.

Aside from the performance duties as Dean of each year, we are to the Christmas Holiday; lived at Bryn Mawr, Vassar, Monday, Smith Teachers College, Columbia clock.



# F. J. GRIMKE, D.C. PASTOR, WRITER, DIES

*Age-Inquirer*  
Served 15th Street  
Presbyterians for 55  
Years. 10-16-37

*Practitioner*  
NIECE IS ONLY  
RELATIVE LEFT

Brother Was Author  
and NAACP Head.

WASHINGTON  
The Rev. Dr. Francis  
Grimke, for many years  
pastor of Fifteenth Street  
Presbyterian Church here,  
died Monday in his 87th  
year, after a long illness.

For the last six years, Dr.  
Grimke, the city's oldest minis-  
ter, had made his home with  
the Gray sisters, devoted mem-  
bers of his parish. He would have  
been 87 on November 4.

For more than fifty-five years,  
Dr. Grimke served as pastor of  
Fifteenth Street Presbyterian  
Church. This service began in  
1878 and was interrupted from  
1885 to 1886 while he was min-  
ister of the Central Street Pres-  
byterian Church of Jacksonville,  
Fla.

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**Returns to Post**  
He returned to his former  
charge in Washington and again  
served as pastor without inter-  
ruption for thirty-eight years.  
From 1922 he divided his work  
with an associate pastor, the Rev.  
H. B. Taylor.

Funeral services have been set  
for Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at his  
church.

He is survived by one niece,  
Miss Angellina Grimke, of New  
York, daughter of his brother  
Archibald.

By request, the main eulogy  
will be delivered by the Rev.

Walter H. Brooks, pastor of Nine-  
teenth Street Baptist Church and  
former schoolmate of the de-  
ceased pastor. The Rev. Halley  
B. Taylor, associated with Dr.  
Grimke as pastor at Fifteenth  
Street Presbyterian Church, will  
officiate.

**Others at Rites**  
Others who will participate in  
the final rites will include:

The Revs. William Lloyd Imes,  
pastor of St. James Presbyterian  
Church, New York; G. Lake Imes,  
Lincoln University; the Rev. H. C.  
Campbell, and Dr. Benjamin  
Brawley, Howard University.

Active pallbearers will be Prof.  
William Brewer Woolsey, W.  
Hall, Dr. William Clayton, Wil-  
liam Edinburgh, John C. Bruce,  
and Capt. Mechlinger.

Honorary pallbearers will in-  
clude:

Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson, Car-  
ter G. Woodson, Dean Kelly Mil-  
ler, Major James N. Roberts, Dr.  
T. Edward Jones, Captain John  
A. Smith, the Rev. R. A. Fairley,  
Dr. Garnet C. Wilkinson, Major  
Campbell C. Johnson, and Clar-  
ence O. Lewis.

Dr. Grimke's name is close-  
ly associated with that of  
his late brother, Archibald H.,  
leader in the legal profession,  
writer and president of the  
Washington NAACP.

The Grimke brothers were born  
in Charleston, S.C.

Both boys were graduated with  
honors from Lincoln University  
in 1870. Francis afterwards was  
graduated in theology from  
Princeton Seminary, and Archi-  
bald from Harvard in law. The  
latter became U.S. consul-general  
in Santo Domingo.

**Developed Church**

As pastor of the Fifteenth  
Street Church, Dr. Francis J.  
Grimke saw that organization de-  
velop from a small congregation  
on Fifteenth Street near M to the  
largest congregation of colored  
Presbyterians of that earlier pe-  
riod, and its pulpit recognized as  
one of the most distinguished.

A long-standing custom  
with him was the delivery  
of a special sermon follow-  
ing the inauguration of the  
President of the United  
States in which he discussed  
the outstanding moral and  
social issues of the day. This  
message he always subse-  
quently issued in pamphlet  
form.

Dr. Grimke wrote frequent let-  
ters to newspaper forums, and  
privately published his opinions

on a variety of subjects.  
**Played Darrow**  
In 1927 he attacked Clarence  
Darrow, despite his popularity  
for winning the Sweet slaying  
case in Detroit. Citing Darrow's  
disbelief in God and life after  
death, Dr. Grimke said:

"There are things of great-  
er importance to the race in  
its efforts to rise than the  
recognition of its rights un-  
der the Constitution. . . . If  
I must choose between by  
civil and political rights and  
my faith in God and the  
Bible, my civil and political  
rights will have to go."

Dr. Grimke felt in 1929 that  
he would not live much longer  
and entitled his sermon of March  
3, "My Last Quadrennial Mes-  
sage to the Race."

In 1933 he delivered "My  
Farewell Quadrennial Message to  
the Race." In 1934 he spoke on  
"What Is to Be the Real Future  
of the Black Man in This Coun-  
try?" and described the discourse  
as a supplement to his farewell  
quadrennial.

**Two Classmates Survive**

Among his contemporaries who  
survive him are his classmates  
at Lincoln University: Dr. Wal-  
ter H. Brooks, pastor of Nine-  
teenth Street Baptist Church in  
Washington, and Thomas M. Mil-  
ler of Charleston, former U.S.  
Congressman from South Caro-  
lina.

In December, 1878, Dr. Grimke  
was married to Miss Charlotte  
Forten of Washington, who died  
in 1914. One child was born and  
died in infancy.

## Final Rites Are Held For Dean Lucy D. Slowe

*Journal and  
Guide*  
**Howard's Dean Dies**

**After Illness of  
Two Months**  
*10-30-37*

*Journal and Guide Bureau*  
WASHINGTON, D. C.—Funeral  
services for Miss Lucy D. Slowe,  
dean of women at Howard Univer-  
sity since 1922, were held in An-  
drew Rankin Memorial Chapel on  
the university campus last Monday

## DEAN PASSES



Miss Slowe is survived by a sis-  
ter, Mrs. Nellie Hawkes of Phila-  
delphia.

Rankin Memorial Chapel at  
Howard University was draped  
in black at final rites for Miss  
Lucy D. Slowe, above, dean of  
women at the Washington  
school since 1912. Miss Slowe  
died Oct. 21 at her home after  
two months illness.

afternoon. *Worship*  
Miss Slowe died at her home,  
1256 Kearney St., N.W., on Oct. 21,  
after an illness of two months.

Educated in the public schools of  
Baltimore and at Howard Univer-  
sity, Miss Slowe took graduate  
work at Columbia and received her  
Ph.D. in education.

**APPOINTED IN '22**

After acting as principal of the  
Shaw Junior High School, she was  
appointed dean of women at Ho-  
ward in 1922 and professor of Eng-  
lish in 1923.

At Howard she inaugurated the  
Women's Dinners given every No-  
vember and the candlelight ser-  
vice held annually on the Sunday  
before the Christmas holidays.

Dean Slowe was one of the or-  
ganizers of the National Associa-  
tion of College Women and served  
as its first president. She was  
frequently in demand as a speaker  
at Bryn Mawr, Vassar, Smith, Co-  
lumbia Teachers College and Ober-  
lin.

**CIVIC ACTIVITIES**

Her civic activities included  
membership on the executive com-  
mittee of the Community Chest,  
the Family Service Association,  
the Northwest Settlement House  
and the Interracial Committee of  
the District of Columbia.



# BE LIKE DR. GRIMKE, MILLER URGES YOUTH

By KELLY MILLER

On October 14, I served as honorary pallbearer to lay to rest the mortal remains of my esteemed friend, Dr. Francis J. Grimke, a graduate of Lincoln University in the class of 1870.

The chief eulogy was delivered by Dr. Walter H. Brooks, his classmate, intimate friend, and fellow pastor in the city of Washington for more than fifty years. The Lincoln University class of 1870 was the first regular college class to be graduated from any colored college or university in the U.S., or, for that matter, in the world.

Of that class, Solomon P. Hood, ex-minister to Liberia; Thomas Miller, ex-member of Congress from South Carolina, and the Rev. Dr. Walter H. Brooks, for fifty-five years pastor of the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, Washington, D.C., survive their classmate, Francis J. Grimke.

Lincoln University might well be proud of these four octogenarian alumni.

## Praises Attainment

I regard Dr. Francis J. Grimke as the embodiment and exemplar of the value and power of liberal culture and a justification of the higher education of the colored man.

Immediately upon graduation from Princeton Theological Seminary, he was called to the pastorate of the Fifteenth Street Presbyterian Church.

There for fifty-eight years, barring a brief period when he repaired to the pastorate in Jacksonville, Fla., for reasons of health, he has stood in this pulpit at the national capital, and proclaimed to all the people the exaltation of righteousness with the uncompromising directness of a Hebrew prophet.

While the duties of the pastorate absorbed his chief energies, he was keenly interested in the cause of Christian education

In 1880, he was chosen trustee of Howard University, in which capacity he served faithfully and efficiently for forty years when he resigned on account of failing health and increasing pastoral responsibilities.

## Called Strict Puritan

Dr. Grimke was a Puritan in the strict sense of the term. He preserved a keen sensibility to sin when the sensitized conscience had been dulled and seared by a gross material age. With him there was no halfway ground between good and evil.

Abraham Lincoln, himself a moral genius, said that if slavery is not wrong then nothing is wrong. Francis J. Grimke showed the same hatred and antagonism to race prejudice in any form that Lincoln and the abolitionists had towards slavery.

## Man of Courage

He was a man of dauntless moral courage and never failed to hit the hideous head of race prejudice wherever it showed itself. He published fifty of his sermons in pamphlet form devoted to the denunciation of race prejudice.

With him, condemnation of wrong was a natural counterpart of his approval of right. I remember when a distinguished Senator demanded that the president of Howard University have removed from the library a book descriptive of Soviet Russia.

The president of the university hastened to comply with the request, but not so with Dr. Grimke. Though himself, a trustee, he wrote the president a scathing letter condemning his cowardly yieldance.

Through the beneficence of Lincoln University, young Grimke was lifted from the low ground of slavery to the high level of a college graduate.

Despite that, he became so outraged with the policy of the university, in that colored members were not admitted to the faculty or trustee board, that he would

not place his foot on the campus of his alma mater as long as it persisted in this policy.

## Example for Youth

I loved to hold up the example of Dr. Grimke to the rising generation of college-bred youth. I urge them to take courage and hope from the example of Dr. Grimke. Moral and spiritual vistas of unlimited expansion stretch out before them.

If they may not hope to reap the material benefits, measured in terms of wealth and power, great, indeed, will be the reward of the laborers in the moral vineyard, according to the higher appraisal of the Kingdom of Heaven.



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Florida

## COLORED JUDGE DIES

*Wm. Stays*  
Fernandina, Fla.— (By Richardson for ANP)—The last of Florida's former Negro judges, John Howard Stays, died at his home here last week at the age of 92.

*Wm. Stays*  
Stays made judicial history in this state when he occupied the bench during the Reconstruction period and passed several measures giving the Florida Negroes benefits that had been unknown to them before. Several of these measures passed by the jurist concerned the right to participate in state and local elections.

For several years the former judge had remained in retirement, having declined to even pursue his excellent law practice since 1925.

He was buried in a local cemetery.

Tampa, Fla. Tribune

November 19, 1937

### LEADING NEGRO FARMER DIES

James Hamilton, considered the leading negro farmer in Florida, died Wednesday at 1317 Lamar street. He operated a farm at Seffner and was president of the Florida Farmers' Co-operative association.



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France

# TANNER FORCED TO GO TO EUROPE TO WIN FAME

Henry Ossawa Tanner Was Determined to Be a Great Artist and He Left America to Accomplish His Purpose—Has Son in Turkey.

PARIS, June 3.—(ANP)—“Some day,” said the infant Henry Ossawa Tanner over 70 years ago in Philadelphia, “I’ll be a celebrated artist.”

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tracted to his work and one of his pictures was sold for \$250, of which he received \$15 down in the Georgia metropolis. But their backing made it possible for him to arrange an exhibition in Cincinnati in 1890 and the next year he was able to set out for Rome to study. But when he reached Paris, he liked this city so well he decided to remain.

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Mr. Tanner was slender, with sharply moulded features and an appearance of frailty, but for many years he made journeys to Palestine, Egypt, Algiers and even to Tetuan, in the interior of Morocco, at a time when danger as well as physical hardship had to be faced.

In addition to his son in Egypt and his cousin in Chicago, Mr. Tanner leaves two sisters, Mrs. Belle Temple, of Pittsburgh, and Mrs. S. P. Stafford, of St. Louis. A sister-in-law, Mrs. Carl Tanner, also lives in Chicago.

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# Artist Tanner Dies In Paris

PARIS. — Henry Ossawa Tanner, recognized as the most distinguished Negro painter in the world, died here Tuesday, May 25. He would have been 78 years old on June 2.

Born in Pittsburgh in 1859, Mr. Tanner was the son of the late Bishop Benjamin Tucker Tanner, who at one time presided over the fifth Episcopal district of the A. M. E. church with his headquarters in Kansas City, Kas. Bishop Tanner was chancellor of Western University, Quindaro, Kan. from 1896 to 1900.

The artist who first studied at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, first attracted attention with his painting, "The Banished Lesson" which depicted a workman sitting on a wheelbarrow observing the efforts of a youth on a musical instrument.

**To France For Training**  
Feeling that the United States lacked the atmosphere conducive to the development of the best artists, Tanner went to Paris in 1891 and spent most of his life there.

Under the instruction of Jean Paul Laurens and Benjamin Constant, he learned the principles of art and later developed into one of the greatest artists of his time. He received much encouragement from the great artist Jerome.

Tanner's works hang in famous museums and private collections the world over. He is a member of the French Legion of Honor.

His first painting of value, according to historical accounts of his work, was exhibited in 1894.

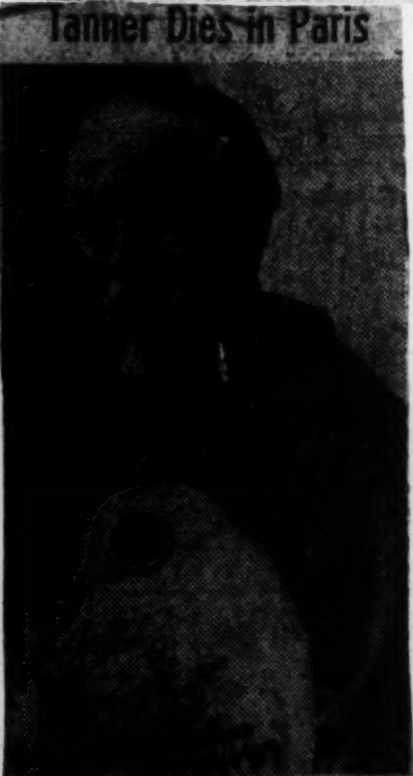
**Painting in the Louvre**  
In 1897, his "Raising of Lazarus" attracted so much attention that it was awarded a gold medal by the French government and placed in the Louvre. In 1898, "The Annunciation" was presented at the Academy of Fine Arts in Philadelphia. The famous painting, "Judas" was bought in 1899 by the Carnegie Institute of Pittsburgh and the same year "Nicodemus" was awarded the Walter Lippincott prize of \$300 and was bought by the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts.

From that time on, painting after painting brought more renown to Tanner. He devoted most of his paintings to religious subjects. At one time, he planned to follow his father in the ministry. One of his paintings, "Daniel in

the Lions Den," won second class awards at three exhibitions, the Universal exposition in Paris in 1900, the Pan-American exposition in 1901 and the St. Louis exposition in 1904.

In 1906, the "Disciples at Emmaus" was awarded the second gold medal by the French government, which purchased it. "The Disciples at the Tomb" was exhibited at the annual exhibition of art in Chicago in 1906 and was awarded the N. W. Harris prize of \$300.

Tanner's masterpiece was proclaimed to be "The Wise and Foolish Virgins" first exhibited in 1908. Mr. Tanner was a member of a large family. Several sisters and brothers survive, including Mrs. Belle Tanner Temple of Pittsburgh and Mrs. Bertha Tanner Stafford of St. Louis.



**HENRY O. TANNER**  
Tanner, painter and native of Pittsburgh, who died in Paris, France, Tuesday, at the age of 78. He was the son of Bishop B. T. Tanner of the A.M.E. Church. He leaves relatives in Boston and a nephew, Louis Tanner Moore in Philadelphia.

# Henry Tanner Master Artist Dies In Paris

PARIS, May 25.—Henry Ossawa Tanner, painter, and one of the very few true masters that America has contributed to the world of art, passed away at his residence here Tuesday at the age of 78.

Tanner, born in Pittsburgh, Pa., but a resident of France for the past 50 years, was held in highest esteem by the French people and their government, and in token of this was made a member of the French Legion of Honor.

The effect of the passing of a great master is shown by the pall that seems to have settled upon and paralyzed art circles throughout France this week. The frames of several of his masterpieces have been draped in mourning and so are sharing in the solemn rituals of respect and grief over the death of their creator.

Mr. Tanner's father was Benjamin Tucker Tanner, a bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal church. The artist's early religious training accounts for the fact that most of his works and his greatest canvases deal with subjects of the Bible. Among these are "The Raising of Lazarus," the "Annunciation," "Christ and Nicodemus" and "Daniel in the Lion's Den."

His paintings to an astonishing degree exude the reverence with which the man himself was imbued, and are clean-cut and luminous. The observer finds in these works subtle power, purity of line and thorough charm, with sentiment prevailing over technique.

Practically every capitol of Europe and the world's finest homes and art institutions boast of the display of one of these Tanner classics.



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## STUDIED DILIGENTLY

He studied diligently. His whole life was wrapped up in his art. But he was never exceedingly healthy, and early in his youth he became painfully conscious of democratic America's well-nigh impassable barriers of race. Being naturally timid in addition, his family suggested that he take a job in a flour mill as a means of livelihood. But he became ill soon afterward and

his parents then agreed that he should return to painting during his recuperation.

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Of late he had been in declining health and had planned to make his first American trip in 14 years during 1936 and his physicians advised against it. Despite his failure to win recognition in his home country until he had been accepted abroad, he bore no bitterness toward the United States and was still a citizen of that nation.

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Atlanta, Ga. Journal  
December 16, 1937

**Miss Ida Munro, 82,  
Noted Educator, Dies**

COLUMBUS, Ga., Dec. 16.—(AP).

Miss Ida Munro, 82, educational leader in this section, died at her home in Putnam Wednesday night after a lengthy illness. Miss Munro taught in a number of southern colleges for women before she retired. She established the Ida Munro Library for Negroes at Putnam and gave the site for the Mount Zion Primitive Baptist Church and cemetery at Putnam. Funeral services were held at Putnam Thursday.



## Negro Educator Dies in Moultrie

MOULTRIE, Ga., Jan. 16 (AP)—H. H. Thweatt, 72, one of the best known Negro educators in Georgia, died here suddenly yesterday as the result of a heart attack.

He was a graduate of Tuskegee Institute and had taught in many of the leading Negro schools of Georgia, Alabama, and Florida. Thweatt came to Moultrie several years ago from Miami to make his residence.

Sylvester, Ga., Local  
January 21, 1937

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## Prominent Negro Dies at Americus

AMERICUS, Ga., Feb. 1—Walter Muse, 71, well known Americus Negro, died at his home Friday. Death was due to a heart attack. Funeral services had not been arranged early today.

Muse, who is survived by his widow, Cora Muse, had been employed by H. L. Muse, prominent Americus man, for 50 years and was highly regarded among all classes of white residents.

## BISHOP'S WIDOW DIES

AUGUSTA, Ga., Jan. 18 (AP)—Mrs. Willie Nichols Williams, widow of the late Bishop R. S. Williams, trustee of Payne College, died at her home, 912-15th street, Sunday after a lingering illness. She is survived by several daughters.

## Ex-Slave, Who Was Member Of Sherman's Army, Is Dead; Funeral Later

Born in Marietta, Georgia December 10, 1845, an ex-slave and at one time a member of the Sherman's army in the Civil War, Joseph Rogers is dead. He was a Georgian who died last Saturday night, February 6, at 11:30 o'clock at the age of 92. Death occurred at his residence, 592 Williams St. N.W.

The venerable man, one of the pioneer Odd Fellows being contemporaneous with the late Dr. H. R. Butler, was a member of the Macedonia Baptist church, the Rev. Cyrus Brown, pastor, and was a devout Christian. His body is resting in the funeral parlors of David Howard Howard funeral home, pending completion of funeral arrangements.

Surviving Mr. Rogers whose deceased wife was Mrs. Carrie S. Rogers, who died April 30, 1934, are two daughters, four sons and a number of other relatives. The daughters are Mrs. Hattie R. Nance of New York City, and her younger sister, Mrs. Margaret R. Howard, of this city. The sons are, in the order of their seniority, Joseph Rogers Jr., of Indianapolis, Ind.; Eugene G. Rogers, of New

York City; William G. Rogers, of Chicago; and Thomas W. Rogers, of New York City.

The late Mr. Rogers held employment with one firm over fifty years and was engaged as a master plumber.

## PROMINENT NEGRO MINISTER IS DEAD

M. A. Fountain, Former Pastor  
of Macon Church, Dies in Savannah 3/5/37

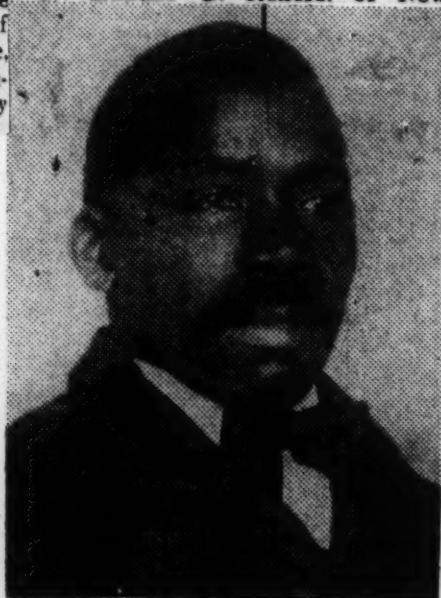
Rev. M. A. Fountain, pastor of St. Phillips African Methodist Episcopal church in Savannah, formerly of Macon, died at his home Thursday morning, He was a native of Elberton, but spent most of his life in Atlanta.

He entered the ministry and joined the North Georgia conference and served as pastor of Jackson Chapel, Washington; St. John's, Eatonton; Campbell Chapel, Americus; St. James, Columbus; Bethel, Augusta; and six years at Stewart Chapel, Macon. He was appointed presiding elder of the Macon district, then transferred to St. Phillips church, Savannah.

For 16 years he was a member of the general conference of his church and served the last two sessions, 1932-'36, as secretary of the Episcopal committee. This committee assigns bishops to their field of labor for four years. He served until his death as secretary of the church extension board, Washington, D. C.

## Trained at Morris Brown

Rev. Dr. Fountain was trained for the ministry at Morris Brown College and Turner's Theological seminary, Atlanta. He was brother of Bishop W. A. Fountain, Atlanta, presiding bishop of the A. M. E. church in Georgia, Rev. C. H. Fountain, pastor of the A. M. E. church, Baltimore, Md., and Rev. Paul Fountain, Atlanta. His father was one of the founders of the A. M. E. church in Georgia and started many of the present churches in the state. Funeral services will be held Monday at 11 o'clock in Allen Temple church, Atlanta.



MR. JOSEPH ROGERS

Columbus, Ga., Record  
March 30, 1937

## Jeff Davis, Colored

JEFFERSON D. DAVIS, well known through this section as a colored educator, lies in his home at 2344 Buena Vista road in the dreamless sleep of death. He will be buried tomorrow afternoon from St. James A. M. E. church, of which he had been an active member.

Jeff Davis, as everybody knew him, never at any time had a regular salary of more than \$60 a month, and yet he sent all six of his children through college. One of them is now with TVA, one is in New York, one has a government position in Washington, one daughter, now dead, was in the service of the state of Georgia and her efficient and conscientious work commanded respect.

Jeff Davis, 72 when he died, had been teaching school for 56 years. He taught in Stewart, Chattahoochee and Muscogee counties, and for a good many years has been at the head of the small colored school near the intersection of Buena Vista road and Lawyers Lane. The school there is in a rented building, the city having deferred erecting a building in that vicinity until the city limits line is more definitely fixed. The school is in a two-room house. Jeff Davis has been in charge all day; he has had two assistants, one for morning teaching, the other for the afternoon.

He became an ordained minister in the colored Methodist church in 1911 after taking seminary work in Morris Brown college and served several churches in the Southwest Georgia conference.

Once when he was a resident of Chattahoochee county it was suggested to Jeff Davis that he take the postmastership at Cusseta. President Theodore Roosevelt wanted to appoint a negro to that post, and Jeff Davis, although in no sense highly educated, was perhaps the best educated member of his race in the county. He said that under no circumstances would he be considered an applicant for the place, and would not accept if appointed. As a matter of fact, Jeff Davis was regarded as more of a Democrat than a Republican.

## MATTIE T. NORRIS, 63, NEGRO LEADER, DIES

Mattie Turner Norris, president of the Georgia Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, died Monday night at the residence, 20 Jephtha street, S. W., at the age of 63.

She was president of the Court of Calantha, and for many years president of the Women's Missionary Society of the First Congregational church. She was a teacher for 35 years in schools in Marietta and Atlanta. Her husband was the late L. B. Norris, well-known school teacher here and in Marietta.

Surviving are four sons, Ellis A. Norris, of New York, owner of a newspaper syndicate; Elihu Q. Norris, instructor in Booker T. Washington high school; Hubert W. Norris, bursar of Alcorn (Miss.) College, and Roy E. Norris, student at Morehouse College, and a daughter, Maudie O. Norris, associated with the Child Welfare Association.

Final rites will be held at 3:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at First Congregational church, with burial in South View cemetery.



The rumor persisted that President Roosevelt was going to appoint a negro to the Cusseta post office, and a delegation of Chattahoochee county citizens went to Washington. They enlisted the assistance of Congressman W. C. Adamson, and the delegation and the congressman called on President Theodore Roosevelt. They told him bluntly that if a negro were appointed postmaster at Cusseta he probably would be killed. Mr. Roosevelt said that he would protect his appointee if he had to call out the entire United States army.

The delegation did not seem to be making much progress and left the White House, discouraged. Judge Adamson told them not to leave Washington, he wanted to talk with the President privately the next morning. The congressman, in a quiet talk with Mr. Roosevelt, told him that if a colored man was appointed it no doubt would bring on serious trouble, and a good many innocent lives might be lost. The President then took a practical view of the situation and said he would appoint a white postmaster at Cusseta.

Jeff Davis loved and respected his white friends, of whom he had many. When the late Dr. Gordy of Chattahoochee county died, Davis secured permission from the school superintendent here to go to Chattahoochee county on a visit of respect. He called at the family residence and had a long look into the face of his dead friend, before he was laid to rest.

Jeff Davis taught school up until a few days of his death. He might have taught on for years, but for an unhappy accident a few days ago which shortened his life. He was cutting kindling and a piece of kindling flew into his eye with great violence, inflicting a very painful wound. It was not in itself a fatal wound, but seemed to bring on a collapse of his entire nervous system. The little two-room schoolhouse will know him no more.

Columbus, Ga. Editor  
May 19, 1937

### Negro Druggist Passes Following Brief Illness

Arthur T. Jones, 64, owner of the A. T. Jones drug store and pioneer negro citizen of Columbus, died at his residence, 632 Fourth avenue Tuesday afternoon at 2:55 o'clock.

He had been confined to his home, unable to attend his duties at his drug store since Friday. His death was attributed to a series of heart attacks.

## Rector Emeritus Of St. Philip's Church Dies In Savannah

SAVANNAH, Ga. — The Rev. Hutchens C. Bishop, rector-emeritus of the fashionable St. Philips Episcopal Church, New York City, dropped dead here Monday night while at the dinner table of the home of Mrs. Mamie Cox, Coconut Grove. Dr. Bishop had been Mrs. Cox's guest for the past month and was recuperating from a recent illness.

Accompanied by Mrs. Cox the body was shipped to New York, arriving in that city Wednesday.

Was 78 Years Old

Dr. Bishop, who was made rector-emeritus of St. Philips Church three years ago, after holding in charge more than 46 years. He was one of the best known Episcopal ministers in the city. Funeral arrangements were not completed when the body went to press but tentatively it was scheduled for Friday.

He is survived by three sons, Rev. Shelton Hale Bishop, rector of St. Philips Church; Hutchens Bishop, Jr., a chemist; and Andrew Bishop, actor; and three daughters, Mrs. Gussie Booth, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith and Miss Victoria Bishop.

Atlanta, Ga. Constitution  
May 23, 1937

## RICHARD H. CARTER DIES AT AGE OF 88

Leading Negro, First School  
Principal, Widely Known.

Funeral services for Richard H. Carter Sr., 88, one of Atlanta's leading negro residents who died Thursday, will be held at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon at the residence, 864 Mitchell street.

He was the first member of his race to become principal of an Atlanta school and was a member of the first graduating class of Atlanta University.

He served as a railway mail clerk for many years. His only immediate survivor is his wife, Lottie Carter. He was a member of the First Congregational church.

Near survivors are his wife, Iola A. Jones, principal of the Jordan City public school for negroes, a sister, Minnie L. Jones of this city, and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements for the funeral services have not been announced except that the rites will be conducted from the St. John A. M. E. church where he served as trustee and church officer for many years.

## Dr. Tyson Dies After Long Illness

Many Attend The  
Funeral Of

POPULAR PHYSICIAN

Was Dean Of Local  
Doctors

After an illness which stretched over a period of about a year and a half, Dr. Clarence B. Tyson died Monday noon at his residence, 2810 Bennett street, east, surrounded by his family.

Dr. Tyson was one of the best known and most popular physicians in southeast Georgia. For about 38 years he practiced in this city and was the dean of the local physicians. He was a native of Florida, having been born at Monticello on October 15, 1872, and was educated at Talladega College. Prior to studying medicine, he taught school for several years. He pursued his medical education at Meharry Medical College, where he graduated in 1897. For about a year he practiced in Willacoochee, Ga., and then went to Waycross, and after about a year's practice there, came to Savannah where he practiced until he became incapacitated by his illness.

During his younger days he was very prominent in professional, civic and religious circles. For many years and up to his death, he was a trustee of St. Philip AME church.

His funeral, which was held yesterday afternoon from the church, was attended by an unusually large concourse of friends and acquaintances. The services were conducted by Rev. S. R. Dinkins, pastor, assisted by Rev. L. A. Townsley.

The honorary pall bearers

were Dr. W. E. Moody, Dr. J. W. Jamerson, Frank A. Dilworth, Donald Thomas, N. A. Branham, and George W. Williams.

Monroe Funeral Directors were in charge of the funeral. Interment was at Laurel Grove cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Rosa B. Tyson, and a son, Dr. William G. Tyson.

## MONTEZUMA'S BEAUTIFIER DIES

Will Green, respected old Montezuma Negro, who used to run his eye over the shrubs and bushes bordering the homes in the residential section and make them nearer to the heart's desire will clip and prune no more. Last week he fell dead at his home.

For many years he was a trusted and efficient employee at the General of Georgia depot, but was more appreciated by the gardening enthusiasts of Montezuma for his way with the hedges and shrubs that make that town a beauty spot.

Will had an independence that was respected and understood. He would stroll along the sidewalk, clippers in hand and work where work was needed, for the women who had a standing contract with him.

It saddens them now to think that they will again will they turn in to the home driveway to find the hedges trimmed straight and true, the individual shrubs formal and tidy, and think, delightedly, "Will Green has been here."—MRS. J. M. MOORE, Telegraph Correspondent.

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Covington, Ga. News  
November 4, 1937

## DR. E. L. TOOMER, COLORED, DIES

Dr. E. L. Toomer, the colored physician of Fitzgerald, was taken seriously ill Sunday and died Tuesday, November 2nd, 1937, at 11:15 A. M.

He has been the colored physician of this city for eleven years and practiced at Rome, Ga., before coming here, for sixteen years, and two years at Albany, Ga. (his native home. He was a graduate of Meharry Medical College, Validictorian of the class of 1908.

He leaves to mourn his passing, a devoted wife, brother and other relatives and a host of friends of both races.

The funeral will be quietly solemnized at their residence, 718 East Palm street, Sunday morning at ten o'clock.

The remains will be carried to Albany for burial.



# **HOLD FUNERAL SERVICES FOR REV. REDMOND**

*Leaves for*  
**Pastor of St. Mark's Dies After Illness Of Three Months**  
**7-3-37**

They buried the Rev. John B. Redmond, pastor of St. Mark's Episcopal church Tuesday afternoon but not until hundreds of his friends, many of them high dignitaries of the church had gathered to pay their respects to him. Interment was in Lincoln cemetery.



Ill for some time, the Rev. Redmond, who was pastor of St. Mark's for fifteen years, died Friday night in the arms of his son, William. His wife, Josephine and daughter, Pauline also were at the bedside when the end came.

The service consisted of the reading of the Old Testament lesson by the Rev. H. M. Smith, pastor of South Park M. E. church, the acknowledgement of telegrams and letters of condolence and the reading of telegrams and the obituary.

There were two solos, "I Have Done My Work," by Mrs. Alva Jones, and "Going Home," by Mrs. Mable Malarcher, with J. Walter Gossett at the organ.

**Bishop Presides**  
 The Rt. Rev. R. E. Jones, presiding prelate of the Lexington Conference, delivered the eulogy. Bishop Matthew W. Clair, retired, gave a short talk reviewing the life of Rev. Redmond.

The esteem in which Dr. Redmond was held by his congregation and scores of friends was attested by the huge floral offerings and hundreds of telegrams sent the family.

The body lay in state at a funeral home until Monday morning, after which it was transferred to

the Redmond home where it remained until ten o'clock Tuesday. Shortly after its removal to the church throngs filed past the bier.

**Born in Mississippi**  
 Born in Lexington, Miss., Rev. Redmond was 65 years of age. He received his education at Rust College, Holly Springs, Miss., the University of Chicago, Gammon Theological Institute and Gammon Theological Seminary. He had been a minister for 32 years.

Rev. Redmond's first pastorate in Chicago was at what is now known as Fulton street church. He pastored in Cincinnati, Paris, Ky., and Cleveland, Ohio.

The deceased minister was active in civic affairs as well as being a member of the Board of Trustees, a member of the Church Federation, a member of the Methodist Book Concern, and was a delegate to the Methodist Episcopal Conference.

Surviving are his widow, Josephine; a daughter, Pauline; three sons, John of Princeton, N. J., William of San Diego, Calif., and William of Chicago and a brother, W. N. Redmond of Kosciusko, Miss.

## **Rites Held**



**Mrs. Clara J. Derrick**  
 Wife of the late Bishop William Derrick of the A. M. E. church who was buried October 31. She died Sept. 29 at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. H. Coleman, 3746 South Parkway.

# **FORMER BROOKLYN MAYOR SUCCUMBS**

**Was A Colorful Figure In Political And Civic Affairs In St. Clair County For Years. Held Many Important Offices In Lifetime**

Burt Ferdinand Washington, 214 Washington St., Brooklyn, Ill., succumbed to a heart attack at St. Mary's Hospital in East St. Louis Wednesday, October 20, after a lingering illness. The deceased was born in Madison County, Ill., 65 years ago and was widely known throughout the section of the state.

He was a colorful figure in political and civic affairs in St. Clair County, was three times Mayor of Brooklyn, prior to which time he was town clerk, tax collector and assessor in Stites town ship. He was for five years a teacher in the public schools of Brooklyn, ten of which were spent as principal of Lovejoy School. He was also principal of the Marion Illinois Elementary School for eight years.

At the time of his death, he was township Supervisor, which position he had held for twelve years during which time he served on many important committees.

He is survived by a wife, Mrs. Mabel Washington; three brothers and three sisters. He was baptized in the Catholic faith a short time before his death. Funeral services will be held Saturday from St. Augustine Catholic Church 14 and Broadway, East St. Louis October 23. J. H. Marshall Under taking Company has charge of the funeral arrangements.

# **ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY HEAD DIES TUESDAY**

**By S. GRACE BRADLEY**  
 Coming as a shock to Atlantans is the death of Attorney Violet N. Anderson, grand basileus of the Zeta Phi Beta sorority, Tuesday afternoon in Chicago, Illinois, where she has resided for many years.

Attorney Anderson born in London, England, received her early education abroad after which she matriculated in colleges in the United States, where she received her degree in both liberal arts and law, later studying abroad.

Being one of the first women of the race to be admitted to the bar, she practiced in Chicago for several years where she distinguished herself as one of the most renowned women the world knows. Aside from her professional work, this noble woman became affiliated with civic, religious and fraternal organizations, making it possible in innumerable instances for our people to give justice in their respective endeavors. One of the organizations she became identified with was the Federation of Girls, in which group she served as a light of inspiration making it possible for hundreds to receive an education in order that they might earn an honest livelihood.

For four consecutive years she has been the Grand Basileus of the Zeta Phi Beta sorority which

has grown by leaps and bounds during her administration. Under her guidance, many helpful projects have been launched, such as the Health Project which has been effectively carried out in different sections of the country.

During the four terms of office she has visited each chapter and has set a precedence which will ever remain in the memory of those with whom she came in contact. She has borne the distinction of being one of the two women admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of the United States and other signal honors, which are indicative of the many splendid qualities of leadership which she possessed.

Her exactness and positiveness, characteristic of her profession, did not mar the beauty which she possessed in the sunny disposition and motherly attitude she exhibited to all.

Funeral services will be held in Chicago Friday, the date planned for her departure to the eighteenth boulev of the Zetas in Houston, Texas over which she was to preside.



## Former Mayor of Brooklyn Dies

BROOKLYN, Ill. — William Cole, president of Brooklyn for nearly 59 years, who served as mayor, was killed last week.

Born in New Orleans, he came to Brooklyn with his parents in 1878 when he was seven. In 1899 he became a member of the board of education of the Lovejoy Schools, serving until 1935. He was a member of the board of aldermen for 14 years.

## W. COLE DIES; WAS PIONEER ILLINOISAN

### Last Rites for Veteran Brooklyn Official and Civic Worker Sunday

LOVEJOY, Ill. — (Special) — Final tributes were paid to William Cole, pioneer resident of this city when last rites were held for the beloved civic leader at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon, January 10, at the Antioch Baptist church. The Rev. J. F. Bowers officiated, while interment was in Washington park cemetery with the J. L. Marshall funeral home in charge.

Cole, who was born in New Orleans, February 17, 1871, came to Lovejoy with his parents, Henry and Katie Cole, on May 12, 1878, when he was but seven years old. The Coles made the trip up the Mississippi river in company with the family of the Rev. Heskiah Butler, father of Col. W. H. Butler of Lincoln, Mo. Originally bound for Kansas and the tree lands being given to Negroes there at the time, the Coles, as well as the Butlers decided that the area around St. Louis was good enough and cast down their buckets there.

Alderman, School Board Member  
In 1899, the same year that he married the former Miss Henrietta Page, Cole became a member of the board of directors of Lovejoy and continued as a member of the board of education of the Lovejoy schools until 1935, a period of 36

years. During that time, he served as president, clerk and member of the latter a CALL carrier, and Cole was one of the leading spirits in the establishment of Lovejoy, one of the few all-Negro towns in the United States. It was Henry Cole, who was responsible for most of the work in connection with the surveying of the present plot of ground that includes the town of Lovejoy. The elder Cole died in 1908.

Old-timers recall that the elder Cole was one of the leading spirits in the establishment of Lovejoy, one of the few all-Negro towns in the United States. It was Henry Cole, who was responsible for most of the work in connection with the surveying of the present plot of ground that includes the town of Lovejoy. The elder Cole died in 1908.

**Veteran Swift Employee**  
Other civic activities of Cole included work as a member of the board of aldermen. During his 14 years service as alderman, he was often called upon to act in the capacity of mayor.

Only last year, in 1936, did he retire from active public life. That was in March when, after working for the Swift Packing company, he was retired on a pension. At that time, fellow employees and officials of the company, presented him with a watch. Much praise was given him by officers of the large concern for his faithful service.

**Landed for Faithfulness**  
Cole, according to official records of the company, first entered the ranks of Swift employees on August 1, 1896. At that time, he was working in the packing plant and his skill as a butcher enabled him to gain the confidence of his employers. He held that position until 1929 when old age and his long service caused officials to give him tasks that would require less exertion on his part.

"Will Cole worked faithfully," W. D. Milner, one of his former superiors at the Swift plant stated in commenting upon the death of the Brooklyn pioneer. He was a very dependable man and worthy of any trust placed in him. His fellow citizens honored him by electing him to office in his community and he always saw that this trust was never violated. Doing the right thing was his passion and his record of long service with Swift speaks for itself. He was a credit to any race or city."

**Stroke Christmas Day**  
Other officials of the packing company were equally sincere in their praise of Cole's work as an employee, public official and civic leader. All said that dependability was his by-word.

Mrs. Cole preceded him in death five years ago. Cole was stricken with paralysis on Christmas day. He died January 2. The wake will be held Saturday night, January 9, at the residence, 130 North Fourth street.

Members of Elks Lodge No. 250, J. L. Marshall, exalted ruler, will be in charge of the rites at the charge. Cole was one of the charter members of the lodge as well as secretary.

Surviving are a son, Carlos Cole, and two daughters, Miss Amelia Cole, Lovejoy public school teacher and Mrs. Harriet Cole Brown,

CALL correspondent in Brooklyn as president, clerk and member of the latter a CALL carrier, and Cole was one of the leading spirits in the establishment of Lovejoy, one of the few all-Negro towns in the United States. It was Henry Cole, who was responsible for most of the work in connection with the surveying of the present plot of ground that includes the town of Lovejoy. The elder Cole died in 1908.

## Ex-Senator Dies



**H. ROBERTS**  
Former Senator and veteran Municipal court clerk, who died at the Provident hospital early Wednesday morning. He had been in failing health for some time. Senator Roberts was defeated in the primary in 1934 by Representative William E. King, who in the general election was victorious over Brant Hammond.

## EX-SENATOR DIES

CHICAGO — (ANP) — Funeral rites were held here Saturday for former Senator Adelbert H. Roberts, 68, Republican, for many years clerk of the municipal court here and state representative and senator from 1917 to 1934.

## MRS. CARTER, WIFE OF C.M.E. BISHOP, DIES

### Church Worker of Chicago Stricken With Appendicitis

CHICAGO. — (CP) — Mrs. Janie Sarah Carter, wife of Bishop Randall A. Carter of the third Episcopal district of the C. M. E. church, died Monday evening, February 1, at the Provident hospital.

Mrs. Carter became seriously ill Sunday, January 24, suffering with appendicitis. Her husband rushed her to the hospital where an operation was performed.

Funeral services were held Thursday morning, February 4, at the St. Paul C. M. E. church, the Rev. W. L. Liddell, pastor, officiating.

The eulogy was delivered by Bishop H. P. Porter of Jackson, Tenn.

Mrs. Carter, a faithful worker in the church, was born in Macon, Ga., the daughter of John and Sarah Hooks. She was educated at Paine college in Augusta, Ga., graduating from the normal course there in the class of 1891.

She married the Rev. Mr. Carter in June, 1891.

Beside Bishop Carter, Mrs. Carter is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Grace Carter Cole, wife of Edward Cole; and a sister, Mrs. Carrie Lewis, all of Chicago.

Burial was in Lincoln cemetery.

Those attending the funeral from St. Louis were the Rev. W. M. Crain, pastor of Jamison Memorial C. M. E. church; the Rev. J. P. Davis, pastor of Parish chapel; the Rev. J. C. Harris of Scruggs Memorial and the Rev. Noah W. Clark of Lane Tabernacle.

## Illinois' First Negro Senator Laid To Rest

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 4. — (ANP) — Funeral services for former Senator Adelbert H. Roberts, militant leader in Republican politics were held at Quinn Chapel A. M. E. church, last Saturday afternoon. He was 68 years old and a native of Decatur, Michigan.

He served as a clerk of the Municipal court for a number of years. Later he became a familiar figure in the corridors of the State Capitol at Springfield, which frequently echoed to his fiery and matchless oratory.

The veteran spon received his primary education in the public schools of Lawrence, Michigan, and his college training at the University of Michigan, in Ann Arbor. He came to Chicago in 1888, and in 1890 was graduated from Northwestern Law School. He married Miss Lula Wiley, of Kewanee, Illinois, in 1895.

Senator Roberts entered State politics in 1917, when he was elected Representative in the Illinois General Assembly, where he served until 1933.

Besides his widow, Mrs. Lula Roberts, two sons, Adelbert, Jr., and Roscoe, survive the deceased.

Burial was in Lincoln Cemetery.

## Widow of Former Ex-Senator Dies

CHICAGO. — Mrs. Aurelia Howe, widow of the late John T. Howe, said to be the only Negro to hold a seat in the North Carolina state legislature, is dead at the age of 70.

The end came at the home of her son, St. Louis, where she was born. Those attending the funeral from St. Louis were the Rev. W. M. Crain, pastor of Jamison Memorial C. M. E. church; the Rev. J. P. Davis, pastor of Parish chapel; the Rev. J. C. Harris of Scruggs Memorial and the Rev. Noah W. Clark of Lane Tabernacle.



# WAR VETERAN SUCCEUMBS AT SISTER'S HOME

8-22-37

Notables Attend Rites  
Held Wednesday At  
Springfield

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 21—  
Colonel Otis B. Duncan, a native  
of Illinois and resident of Spring-

field, and com-  
mander of the  
8th Regiment  
(Black Devils)  
during the  
World's War,  
died Monday  
morning at 11:35  
at the age of 63.  
Colonel Duncan  
was born in  
Springfield, Ill.,  
where he re-  
ceived his early  
education and  
training in this  
city. After reach-  
ing his majority,  
he held many

important positions under various  
Republican governors of the state,  
and was prior to the World War,  
a responsible representative of the  
state department of education.

While carrying on his work in  
civic affairs he took an earnest in-  
terest in the promotion of the 8th  
Illinois Regiment and worked him-  
self from a private, by diligence and  
efficiency, to an important position  
in the regiment. When the World  
War broke out he was sent overseas  
as Lieutenant Colonel of the Third  
Battalion. The 8th Regiment had  
then been federated with numerous  
other military units and designated  
under the title of "370th Infantry"  
under the command of Colonel  
Franklin A. Denison who was in-  
validated home July 12, 1918.

Colonel Denison was succeeded  
in France by Colonel T. A. Roberts  
(white). The late Colonel Duncan's  
record in the World War was one  
of distinction and bravery in the line  
of battle. At the close of the war  
Colonel T. A. Roberts, upon return-  
ing to the states went into the reg-  
ular army and Colonel Duncan au-  
tomatically became the command-  
ing officer of the 8th. He was at  
that time the senior colonel of the  
Illinois National Guard unit until  
certain complications within the  
regiment which necessitated his be-  
ing relieved of the command.

The Colonel had for several years

been in ill health. Since retiring  
from the army he had made his  
home with his sister and brother-in-  
law, Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Ware of  
this city, his only surviving rela-  
tives.

Funeral services took place Wed-  
nesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at St.  
John's church in which every mili-  
tary deference was paid the de-  
ceased. Many prominent citizens in  
both civic and military life paid  
tribute to the military genius and  
his civic value. Among the speakers  
were Colonel William J. Warfield,  
present commander of the 8th Illi-  
nois, State Senator William E. King  
and many other state and city of-  
ficials.

The Rev. George Brown preached  
the funeral and consigned the de-  
ceased to his last resting place.

## Former Mayor Of Brooklyn, Ill.. Dies WOMAN LAWYER DIES

BROOKLYN, Ill., Oct. 29—  
Burt Ferdinand Washington,  
214 Washington street, died  
of heart attack in St. Mary's  
hospital in East St. Louis on  
Wednesday, Oct. 20. He was born  
in Madison County, Ill., 63 years  
ago.

Washington was three times  
mayor of this city. He had been  
township clerk, tax collector and  
tax assessor of Stites township.  
Prior to that he was for 25 years  
a teacher in the public schools of  
Brooklyn, 10 of which he served  
as principal of the Lovejoy school.  
He also had been principal of the  
Marion elementary school for eight  
years.

At the time of his death he was  
township supervisor. He had held  
that position for 12 years.

Funeral services were held Sat-  
urday, Oct. 23 from the St. August-  
ine Catholic church in East St.  
Louis. A widow, Mrs. Mabel Wash-  
ington, three sisters and three  
brothers survive.



Col. Duncan



CHICAGO — (AP) — Atty Vio-  
lette Anderson Johnson, one of the  
best known feminine lawyers in the  
country and Supreme Basileus of  
the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, passed  
away here Tuesday, Dec. 24, 1937,  
which resulted from an ailment  
from which she had long been suf-  
fering. She was 63 years old. She  
had been so active in her recent  
weeks in preparing for the annual  
Boule of the sorority which she  
headed, and had planned to attend  
its sessions in Houston, Texas, dur-  
ing Christmas week.

Born in London, England, of a  
German mother and West Indian  
father, Mrs. Johnson came to Chi-  
cago as a child. She was educated  
in the public schools, finishing also  
the Chicago Anthaeneum and Chica-  
go Seminary of Sciences. She be-  
came a court reporter in 1905 and

finished the Chicago Law School in  
1920, entering an extensive and suc-  
cessful practice the same year. She  
was legal advisor for the Northern  
District of Federated Women's  
Clubs, served as vice president of  
the Cook County Bar Ass'n and was  
active in civic and social affairs in  
the city.

In 1938 she became Supreme Basileus of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, devoting her time, energy and unusual capabilities to the development of the organization which became one of the ruling interests in her life. As she lay on her sick bed, she kept papers beside her and continued to transact business relating to the sorority. As late as a week before her demise, she was busily planning her trip to Houston.

Mrs. Johnson's last words were, "Tell the girls to keep on going ahead. Put over the boule with a bang. Don't let my passing throw the slightest shadow of gloom. The organization has a grand mission before it."

She was buried in Lincoln ceme-  
tery after funeral ceremonies held  
at Jackson's Chapel, Thurs., Dec.  
24. She is survived by her husband,  
Dr. Albert E. Johnson.



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Iowa.

# GEORGE HARNAGEL BURIED THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Funeral services were held Thursday at the Central Presbyterian church for George Harnagel, 68, widely known attorney, who died early Monday at his home, 1212 Fifth ave., of pneumonia.

## Born in Iowa

Mr. Harnagel, born Aug. 11, 1868, in Franklin, Ia., was graduated from Drake University in 1898. A Des Moines resident for 42 years, he was particularly well known in connection with real estate tax matters.

He was a member of the Polk County, Iowa, and American Bar Associations, the Pioneer club and the Westminster United Presbyterian church. Besides his widow, Mrs. Bertha Harnagel, widely known Democrat, who is recovering from the grippe at home, Mr. Harnagel is survived by four children, five brothers and two sisters.

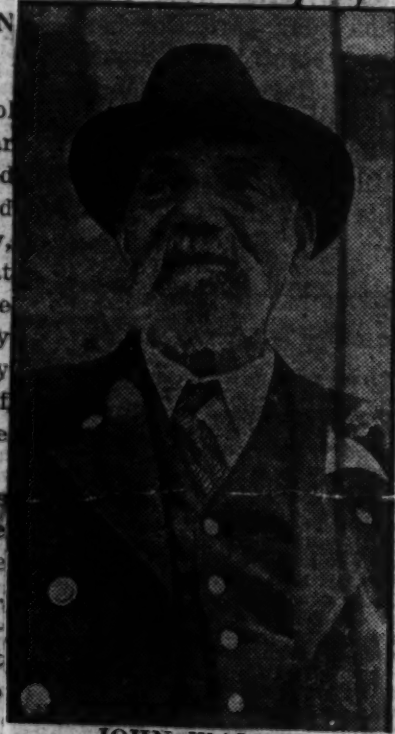
# John Walker, 97, Last D.M. Negro G.A.R. Veteran, Dies

FORMER SLAVE ENLISTED  
IN KANSAS FOUGHT  
UNDER GENERAL SHERMAN

John Walker, 97, of 1105 School street, last of the Negro civil war veterans in Des Moines, who died Sunday night at his home, was buried Wednesday in Woodland cemetery, after funeral services were held at the St. Paul A. M. E. church, where he was an active member for nearly fifty years. The Rev. R. H. Hackley officiated. Burial was in charge of the G. A. R. and V. L. Jones of the Wilson Funeral Home.

Mr. Walker came to Des Moines fifty years ago from his native home in Platte county, Missouri, where he had been a slave for twenty years. He served at one time as vice commander of the Crocker G. A. R. post and was one of the only Negroes to belong to Kinsman post here.

Last One  
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JOHN WALKER  
Active in Church

When the call to the colors came Mr. Walker enlisted at Wyandotte, Kansas in Company 6, First infantry, in 1863. Later he was transferred to the 79th infantry of Kansas, where he was engaged in the noted battles in the Ozark mountains and Tennessee valley under General William T. (War in Hell) Sherman.

Mr. Walker is survived by his wife, a daughter, Mrs. Frances R. Hall, a deputy recorder in the Polk county recorder's office, and four sons, William H. Walker, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Price Walker, Chicago, Illinois; Robert Walker, Osceola, Iowa, and Lloyd Walker, Los Angeles, California.



# LAW OFFICER PASSES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

**Wes' Robinson Was on  
Kansas Police Force  
For 16 Years**

With the passing of "Wes" Robinson, for 16 years a member of the Kansas City, Kas., police force, the community in general and North Third street in particular, have lost a character whose "beat" was the bane of small, bad boys and petty criminals.

Mr. Robinson, who became ill on January 11, died last Friday, January 22. He had been in poor health for several months.

Born 65 years ago in Quindaro township, John Wesley Robinson was reared in this vicinity and at many forms of manual activity here, he was foreman of the construction gang which built the James street bridge and several other structures in the industrial part of the city.

**Former Omaha Officer**  
His activities as an officer of the law were not confined to Kansas City, Kas. For 19 years he was a member of the police force in Omaha.

He was a leader in Republican politics in this city and was the head of his precinct for several terms.

Mr. Robinson joined the First A. M. E. church when it was first organized, although in recent years he had not been active. He was a member of the Widow's Sons lodge No. 17, A. F. and A. M., the Kaw Valley Industrial League and several other civic, fraternal and political organizations.

For about 13 years he had lived at 321 Nebraska avenue, in a modest, little bungalow, just close enough to his "beat" to allow him to go home for lunch.

Funeral services for the veteran police officer were held Tuesday, Jan. 26, from the Mt. Olive Baptist church, with the Rev. J. P. Holmes, pastor, in charge. He was assisted by the Rev. J. G. Greene.

Many View Body

The obituary and condolences were read by Curtis Watson. Music was furnished by the church choir. Burial was in Westlawn cemetery, with the Thatcher funeral home in charge.

Survivors include: the widow, Mrs. Fannie Robinson, one daughter, Miss Queen Esther Robinson, both of the home; a brother, Ben Robinson, prominent local political leader; two grandchildren, Maurice Holman and Lyle Holman, and other relatives.

At the funeral services Jan. 26, the uniform-clad body of the Third street patrolman was viewed by hundreds who had known him both as a prosecutor and a friend.

## SURVIVOR OF QUANTRILL'S RAID IS DEAD

**Peter Jones Dies in Lawrence at 97; Daughter Was Burned in Riot**

LAWRENCE, Kas.—Peter Jones, 97 years old, survivor of the historic Quantrill's raid and a former sergeant in the union army during the Civil war, died at his home early Saturday morning, October 23. Mrs. Jones, who lived with his second wife, Mrs. Carrie Jones, at 1845 Kentucky street, came to Lawrence from Clay county, Mo., in 1854.

At the time of Quantrill's raid he was working at the historical Eldridge house where he was employed as a cook. As his first wife was ill, he took his infant daughter with him to work and placed her in the care of Mrs. Eldridge. During the raid, the child was snatched from the woman's arms and thrown into a burning building.

Jones served in the Union army for three and a half years and was in the regiment which marched with Sherman to the sea. For many years, he followed the trade of butcher, but retired several years ago.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Carrie Jones; a son, Arthur Williams of Toledo, Ohio; three daughters, Mrs. Mollie Bivens and Mrs. Lillie Williams, both of Lawrence and Mrs. Pearl Moten of Billups, Montana; a granddaughter, Mrs. Eva Wallace of Denver; a nephew,

James Harris of California. The funeral was held Tuesday, October 26, at the St. Luke A. M. E. church, the Rev. B. L. Wightman, pastor of the Ninth Street Baptist church, officiating. Masonic lodge rites were held at Oak Hill cemetery.

There are only two remaining Negro survivors of Quantrill's raid living in Lawrence today. They are Mrs. Harriet Thompson Harper, 94, 622 Massachusetts street, and James MacBrown, 1033 Indiana avenue.



# MRS JANE BOND, Y.W. LEADER DIES

Mother of Dr. Max Bond  
And Dr. Horace Bond of  
Dillard Was An Educator

LOUISVILLE.—(ANS)—

Mrs. Jane Bond, widow of the late Dr. James Bond who was director of the Interracial commission and Negro work secretary of the Y. M. C. A., died Tuesday, April 27, at her home, 2540 Magazine street. Mrs. Bond an outstanding woman, was born in Washington, D. C., and was married to James Bond after a courtship at Oberlin college.

Mother of six  
To this union six children who survive her, were born.

They are: Gilbert, now in postal service in Chicago; James of New York; Thomas, teacher in Central high school here and also the director of Interracial commission; Dr. T. Max Bond, general supervisor of Negro training with the

Tennessee Valley Authority; Dr. Horace Bond, dean of Dillard University, and Miss Lucy Bond, teacher in Madison Junior High, this city.

Mrs. Bond re-entered Oberlin with her daughter, Lucy and there completed her residence requirements for a masters of art in sociology. She was principal of Cassidy school at Talladega college 1913-1914; teacher at Atlanta Univ., 1916-1918; Y.W.C.A.

worker in Nitro, W. Va., and later returned to Simmons Univ., where she taught French and English.

Active in Y.W.C.A. work, Mrs. Bond was intensely interested in the young people and made every sacrifice that her children might prepare themselves for useful living. She

was a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Funeral services were held Thursday, April 29, 2 P.M. at the Calvary Baptist church where she was a devout member.

Pallbearers were Mrs. Bond's former students at Simmons university who are now active in the ministry. The Rev. W. P. Offutt, pastor officiated. Interment in Louisville Cemetery.

## Hold Rites For Mrs. Jane Bond Of Louisville Deceased Mother Of Drs. Horace and Max Bond

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—(ANP)— Mrs. Jane Bond, widely known civic, YWCA and educational leader, and widow of the late Dr. James

Bond, director of the Interracial Commission and YMCA Negro work secretary, passed away at her home here Tuesday.

Mrs. Bond was a former principal of Cassidy School at Talladega College, a teacher at Atlanta University and later an instructor in French and English at Simmons University. Last rites were held Thursday at Calvary Baptist Church, the pallbearers being Mrs. Bond's former students at Simmons. The Rev. W. P. Offutt officiated.

Her six children, who survive, are: Gilbert, now in Chicago postal service; James, of New York City; Thomas, Central High teacher and associated director of Interracial Commission; Dr. T. Max Bond, official of the Tennessee Valley Authority; Dr. Horace Mann Bond, dean of Dillard University and Miss Lucy Bond, teacher in Madison Junior High, Louisville.

## BODY OF REV. RICHARD FRYE TO KENTUCKY

Former President of Western College Had Two Operations

The body of the Rev. Richard Thomas Frye, former president of Western Baptist college, was taken to Danville, Ky., where funeral services were held Tuesday, June 8, at the Baptist church there. The Rev. Mr. Frye died shortly before midnight, Thursday, June 3, at the Bell Memorial hospital where he underwent two operations in an effort to save his life.

Born in Danville, Ky., Mr. Frye was graduated from Simmons university in Louisville, now the Louisville Municipal college.

Taught at Simmons After receiving his M. A. degree from Simmons in 1902, he went to the Virginia Union university at Richmond, Va., where he received his doctor of divinity degree.

Completing that course, the Rev. Mr. Frye joined the faculty of Simmons university where he taught

foreign languages. The Rev. Frye began his pastorate at Lexington, Ky., where he occupied the pulpit of the First Baptist church. After several years there, he left the state of Kentucky, going to Springfield, Ohio, where for about 10 years he was pastor of the Second Baptist church. For four or five years, the Rev. Mr. Frye was engaged in evangelistic work in Los Angeles. Leaving the west coast, he returned to Kentucky, going to Frankfort where he was pastor of the Corinthian Baptist church. He gave up his pastorate there to teach religious subjects at the Kentucky State Industrial college at Frankfort, where he also served as chaplain. He taught religious subjects and logic.

From Frankfort, the Rev. Mr. Frye came to Kansas City in 1931 to be president of the Western college in which position he remained until the school was closed about two years ago. The Frye home is at 2200 Brook-dean and Lynn avenue.

Mrs. Frye accompanied the body of her husband to Danville, leaving Saturday night, June 5.

Besides his widow, the Rev. Mr. Frye is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Arletta Johnson, wife of Melvin Johnson, bursar of Wilberforce university, and Mrs. Delora Frye Tillman, wife of W. Richard Tillman, instructor at Western university, Quindaro, Kas.

Surviving also are his mother of Danville; two sisters, Miss Lucille Frye of Danville and Mrs. Belle Baker of Detroit; and four brothers, Dr. John Frye and O. R. Frye, lawyer, both of Danville; and Jake Frye and James Frye, both of Evanston, Ill., who are employed as postal clerks in Chicago; and two grandchildren.



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# WARNER T. MCGUINN DEAD IN BALTIMORE

Famous Political Figure Was Close Friend of Mark Twain and Was President of Yale Law Club.

BALTIMORE, Md., July 15—Warner T. McGuinn, celebrated lawyer and veteran Republican leader in Maryland, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Chauncey M. Harlee, in Philadelphia, Saturday. He was 74 years old.

Mr. McGuinn was born in Goochland county, Va. He was graduated from Lincoln University (Pa.) at the age of 20 in 1884. He attended the Howard University law school 1884-85 and received the bachelor of laws degree from Yale University in 1887. At Yale he met Mark Twain, who aided him through school and remained his friend until death. Mr. McGuinn was elected president of the Yale University law club and won the prize for oratory.

In the same year Mr. McGuinn was admitted to practice in Connecticut and in Kansas. He practiced in Kansas City from 1887 to 1890, moving in the latter year to Baltimore, where he spent the rest of his life.

He had held a number of distinguished positions. He was secretary of the Liquor License Commissioners of Baltimore from 1896-1900. In 1919, he was elected to the Baltimore city council, serving until 1921. He was elected again in 1927 and served four years.

## MCGUINN—POOR LAD WHO WORKED WAY UP

One-Time Hat-Check Boy Became Friend of Mark Twain, Yale's Prize Orator, and Baltimore's Most Brilliant Lawyer.

BALTIMORE — Warner T. McGuinn, 74, for twenty-two years general counsel for the AFRO-AMERICAN company, who died, Saturday, in Philadelphia, knew what it was to be poor.

He was born in Goochland County, Va., and attended public school there, in Richmond, and in Baltimore. His half-brother, the Rev. William M. Alexander, was pastor of Sharon Baptist Church here and first editor of the AFRO-AMERICAN.

### Had Amazing Memory

Mr. McGuinn worked his way through Lincoln by serving as hat-check boy in the Newport, (R.I.) Casino.

He could look at 400 men, take their hats, note their faces and contour of their heads and give each his



W. T. McGuinn

right hat without making an error.

Before going to Yale Law School, Mr. McGuinn studied law in the office of Richard T. Green and at Howard University School of Law, 1884-85.

### Awakes with Dime

Describing his first Christmas day at Yale, Mr. McGuinn said he woke up with ten cents and an invitation from Dean and Mrs. Wayland to dinner.

He declined because he had no dress suit. So he ate at a lunch counter where ten cents in those days bought coffee, roll, butter, and two eggs.

### Mother Sends \$60

When he got home there was an invitation to an informal dinner and a registered letter containing \$60 from his mother in Virginia. Mrs. McGuinn wrote him, "I am sorry to be late but I had a hard time raising the money."

After a month he found a job told reporters:

waiting on table to earn his board, but was quickly promoted to bookkeeper and collector.

Using the office and stationery of a New Haven lawyer, he collected bills by writing letters to the fathers of the boys back home.

### Meets Mark Twain

That same year several members of the Kent Club waged a bitter fight for the presidency. When they couldn't agree, McGuinn was accepted as compromise candidate. The first club speaker was Mark Twain. Young McGuinn met him at the station and escorted him to the dean's house, and later introduced him at a public meeting.

Mark Twain thought that McGuinn was Irish but he was pleased with the introduction, and after his return home wrote back to the dean to find out more about him.

When the great humorist learned that McGuinn was working his way through school, he offered help through the dean.

"I am making it all right," McGuinn demurred.

"Yes," was the dean's reply, "we know you are, but we would like to see what you could do if you were unhampered."

So Mark Twain became sponsor for young McGuinn's law training and he spent his last year at Yale with no more waiting, bookkeeping, collecting, or hat checking.

### Wins \$100 for Oratory

At his Yale commencement in 1887, Chief Justice White of the U.S. Supreme Court; U. S. Senator William M. Evarts and Chauncey M. Depew accounted his oration the best of the day and awarded him a \$100 prize.

He began the practice of law in Kansas City, Kans., in 1887. Two years later, he moved to Baltimore and became a member of the law firm of Cummings and McGuinn 1893-95.

### Made City Councilman

For twenty-two years, he handled the legal business of the AFRO-AMERICAN Company, served two terms in City Council, managed the campaign of Federal est in endeavoring to promote public welfare.

A year later, Mrs. Marie O. Bauernschmidt, white, secretary of the Public School Association,

"I wish to God Warner McGuinn were back in the City Council in order to put the kind of civic backbone into the City Fathers that now is needed."

### Awarded Lincoln LL.D.

At the eighty-third Lincoln commencement, the only honorary degree awarded was to him — a degree of doctor of laws.

Banqueted on his seventieth birthday Mr. McGuinn noted what he thought was an utter absence of character among some young members of the bar.

"They do not know how to represent one client at a time," he said. "Some of these fellows are so slick they can take salt out of biscuits without disturbing the covers."

"Once a lawyer's word was sufficient. Today few people will take his word unless he signs his name and puts up a bond."

"Unless entrance examinations are changed so as to include character as well as knowledge, the practice of the law will degenerate into a dog fight."

### Won Segregation Case

Arguing the celebrated Baltimore segregation case in 1917, before Judge John C. Rose in the Federal Court, Mr. McGuinn objected frequently to the points of law made by opposing counsel and finally asked the court to have him argue the case at issue. Judge Rose in a squeaky voice replied:

"Leave him alone, Mr. McGuinn, he's doing the best he

can." The winning of that case determined Baltimore and many a Southern city from passing further laws to segregate colored people into special city areas.



# LAST HONORS ARE PAID TO MOTHER CONSUELLA

BALTIMORE — Representatives of every Catholic community in this city, churchmen from Washington and a throng she had taught, filled the Cathedral here Tuesday morning, to pay final respects to the Rev. Mother M. Consuella, superior general of the Oblate Sisters of Providence.

She died at the mother house of the order, St. Francis convent, Saturday.

A plain black casket, which bore only the crucifix she had worn as an insignia of the order, held the body. Outside of the Cathedral, flowers waited to be carried to the new Cathedral Cemetery where interment was made. One hundred and four nuns of the community were in the funeral procession.

## Renewed 25th Vow

The Rev. Mother Consuella, nee M. Consuella Clifford, would have renewed her vows for the twenty-fifth time had she lived until Sunday. She was 54 years old at the time of her death.

Entering the Oblate Sisterhood in 1906, she was elected superior general of the order in 1926. Previous to that she had taught in St. Francis Academy and served as secretary and assistant to the former superior general.

## Mgr Quinn Officiates

The Very Rev. Mgr Harry A. Quinn, ecclesiastical superior of the order, sang the requiem high mass. He was assisted by the Rev. John Brann as deacon and Bishop McNamara of Washington.

The eulogy was given by the Rev. John T. Gillard, S. J., chaplain of St. Francis.

Pall bearers were Richard Peed, Philip Carr, Frank Simmons, George W. Barber, James Clarke and Lloyd Farmer.

Educated at Hampton

ton, Oliver J. Derritt

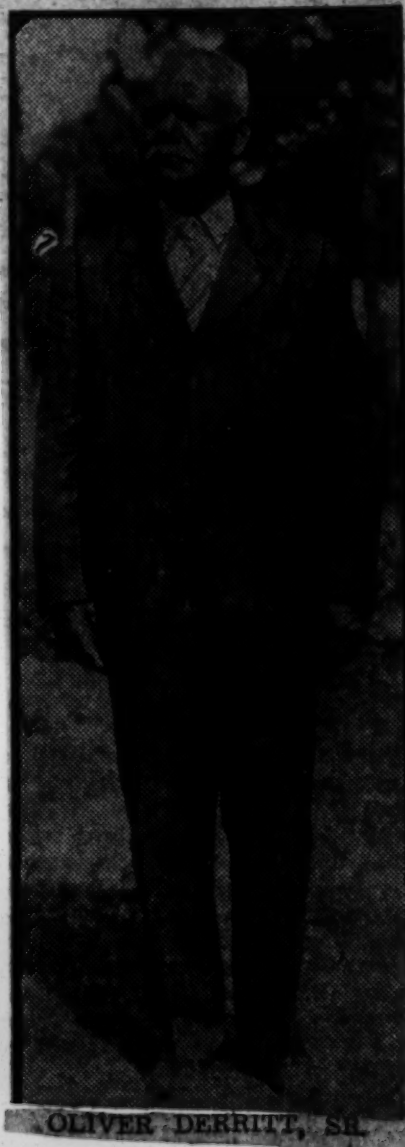
Taught 47 Years.

FUNERAL HELD IN

STAUNTON TUES.

Boston Dentist N.Y.

Attorney Survive.



OLIVER DERRITT, SR.

SALISBURY, Md. — Oliver James Derritt, Sr., 80, died on Saturday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ernestine Browne, wife of Dr. A. D. Browne, 907 W. Main Street, here.

Mr. Derritt, the sixth of twelve children, was born to the late Henry and Mrs. Matilda Derritt of Madison County, Va., May 6, 1858.

He entered Hampton Institute in 1877, and graduated in 1883. While at Hampton, records show that he was active in all of the departments of the school, and in his senior year, was commissioned captain of cadets by Capt. L. A. Brown of the 11th Infantry, U.S. Army.

## Taught

In 1884, Mr. Derritt began his teaching career as principal of the public schools of Staunton, Va., a position that he held for forty years until his retirement in 1920.

Among his pupils, who have since attained prominence, was Dr. Dwight W. Holmes, president of Morgan College, Baltimore.

## Taught in Md., Delaware

From 1922 to 1924, Mr. Derritt taught school in Worcester County, Md., and for the next five years until 1929, he taught in Sussex County, Del., finally retiring after forty-seven years in the classroom.

He married Miss Lucy E. Ponder of Louisa County, Va. After many years of teaching in the public schools of Virginia and Delaware, she died at Staunton, Va., in 1932.

The living children from this union are Dr. Oliver J. Derritt, Jr., dentist of Boston; Wendell H. Derritt, New York; Andrew J. Derritt, principal high school, Accomac County, Va., and Mrs. Ernestine W. Browne, wife of Dr. A. D. Browne, well-known physician of Salisbury, Md.

Three surviving sisters of the deceased, all residents of Philadelphia are Mrs. Josephine Bannister, Mrs. Mary E. Allen, and Mrs. Maggie Raner, and Mrs. Rachael B. Howard of Pittsburgh.

Interment was held at Staunton, Tuesday, 2 p.m., with full Masonic rites of which order he has held thirty-third degree membership since 1897.

TEACHER OF  
MORGAN HEAD  
DIES; AGED 80



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Massachusetts.

# Boston Banker

1-16-37

## Dies

BOSTON—David E. Crawford, 67, attorney, banker, public administrator, and hotel owner, died at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital Tuesday, after a long illness. Funeral services were held at the Hutchins undertaking parlors with the Rev. Charles Winthrop officiating. Honorary and active pallbearers were: *Julian D. Rhiney, Cyril F. Butler, William L. Reed, William H. Lewis, John W. Schenck, Edgar F. Benjamin, J. S. R. Bourne, Irwin T. Dorch, Ernest Cooke, Matthew Bullock, Dr. B. E. Robinson, C. W. Harrison, S. E. Courtney, and S. F. Taylor.*

Educated at Hampton. Mr. Crawford was born in Lynchburg, Va., and received his early education at Hampton Institute. Later he studied law and was admitted to the Massachusetts bar in 1906. He organized the Eureka Co-Operative Bank in 1910 and took an active part in politics.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Almira G. Crawford; a son, Joshua, and three daughters, Mrs. Mildred L. Wade, of Charlotte, N.C.; Mrs. Helen F. Garland of Muskegon, Mich.; and Mrs. Mary V. Boyd of East Chicago, Ill. Burial was in the family lot in Woodlawn Cemetery.

## EX-COUNCILMAN

*J. Henderson*

## DIES AT 75

11-13-37

J. Henderson Allston, well-known Boston citizen, a member of old city council in 1895, died at his residence 87 Howland St., Wednesday night after three weeks illness. Death was the result of a stroke of paralysis.

The funeral was held at Eastman's Undertaking establishment on Beacon St., Friday, Nov. 12, at one p.m. Mr. Allston is survived by his daughter, Emily of N. Bedford, a grand son and nephews, Clifford and Phillip Allston. Mrs. Lydia Allston of Cambridge is his sister-in-law.

For 50 years deceased was a salesman of Sam'l Stevens and Sons, print-

ing machinery and supply dealers, and he was well known and highly thought of among printing concerns in the city. He was also P. M. John J. Smith Lodge of Masons, Supt. of Zion A.M.E. Church Sunday School, member of Round Table and other clubs.



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## R. Willis, Noted Attorney Dead

DETROIT — Funeral services for Robert J. Willis, noted attorney, will be held at Second Baptist Church Tuesday afternoon, with the Rev. Robert H. Smith, pastor, in charge.

Mr. Willis died Friday morning in Receiving Hospital, following a four-month illness which developed from influenza. A graduate of Central High School here, he was the first member of his race to graduate from the University of Michigan Law College.

### Fought for Colored Workers

The venerable attorney was the prime mover in the fight to get colored motormen on the street cars here and fought for years for colored firemen.

Two sons, Elijah D., and Robert J. Willis, Jr., the latter a lawyer, and a daughter, Mrs. Jessie Ellis, all of Detroit, survive. Interment was at Memorial Park Cemetery.



Jackson, Miss., News  
July 21, 1937

## NOTED NEGRO DOCTOR DIES

Funeral services for Dr. R. L. Johnson, well-known colored physician, who passed away late Tuesday at his home at 723 Rose street after a brief illness, will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Pearl Street A. M. E. church.

Dr. Johnson had practiced in Jackson for the past 31 years and had built up an enviable reputation among the members of his race. He was also highly esteemed by a host of white friends who deeply regret his passing. He was a member and officer of the Pearl Street A. M. E. church.

Besides his wife, he is survived by his mother.

## FOUNDER OF MANY SCHOOLS DIES

Bishop Elias Cottrell Is  
Dead at Age 84

Holly Springs, Miss., Dec. 10—With the death of Bishop Elias Cottrell, which occurred here at his home Sunday night, following the announcement of the passing of Bishop Isaac Lane in Tennessee, near the same hour, the Colored Methodist Episcopal church lost two of its veterans of the pioneer days.

Bishop Cottrell had been in failing health for a long period of time, and due to age and an affliction, was unable to perform the duties of his office.

12-10-37  
Taught by Father

He was born in Holly Springs, January 31, 1853, the son of Daniel and Ann Cottrell. His father was his first teacher and he later improved his education while teaching school himself. He was licensed to preach in the C. M. E. church in 1875, ordained deacon in 1877 and appointed presiding elder a year later. Realizing the need of further study in theology, he enrolled in Walden university, Nashville, and remained two years, 1878-9.

While engaged in church duties

## Career Ends



BISHOP COTTRELL

Veteran of the C. M. E. church who died Sunday night in Holly Springs, Miss., after a lingering illness. He founded several schools, Miles Memorial college, Birmingham, being the most outstanding. His death came within a few hours of his colleague, Bishop Isaac Lane, founder of Lane college, Jackson, Tenn.

and pursuing further theological studies. He met and married Miss Catherine Davis of Nashville, January 1, 1880.

## Honored With Degree

His work as presiding elder attracted attention and in 1895 he was elevated to the bench of bishops. A year later he was awarded the degree of doctor of divinity by Rust university.

Bishop Cottrell founded four colleges: Miles Memorial, Birmingham; Homer, Tyler, Texas; Haygood in Arkansas, and Mississippi Industrial, Holly Springs.

Other duties he performed in the church were fraternal messenger to general conference M. E. church, Omaha, 1892; educational commissioner, 1890-4, and trustee of the schools he founded. He was born of slave parentage, but did not share the hardships of plantation life during those days. In the Reconstruction period down to the time of Theodore Roosevelt, he was a prominent figure in Republican politics throughout Mississippi. He was 84 years old at the time of his death.

## Negro Church Suffers Blow In Demise Of Cottrell

HOLLY SPRINGS, Miss.—Ecclesiastical circles and the laymen of the Negro church were shocked at news of the death on Sunday night of Bishop Elias Cottrell, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was 84 years of age.

Educated by his father, he became connected with the public school system of Marshall County, Miss. After receiving theological training at Walden University, Nashville, Tenn., he was licensed to preach in November, 1875, ordained a deacon in 1877, and elder in 1878, also a member of the General Conference from 1882 to 1894. In the latter year he was elected bishop.

Cottrell was a trustee, general manager and treasurer of the Mississippi Industrial College at Holly Springs for many years, and received his D. D. degree from Rust College, Holly Springs in 1895.

## Bishop Passes In Miss. Home

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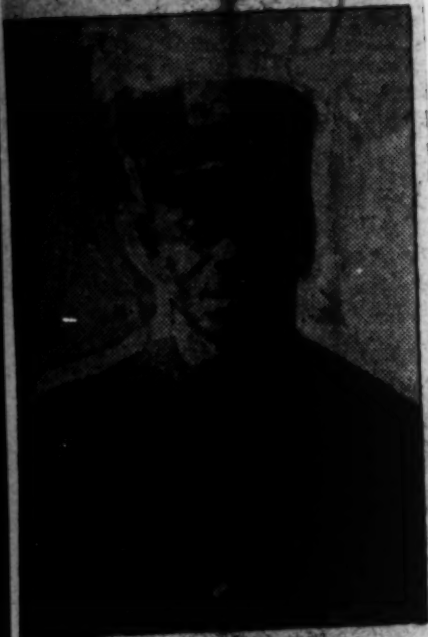
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Missouri.

## Veteran Fireman Is Buried With Honors



CARL BISHOP

Veteran fireman who was buried from 5th Baptist Church Wednesday with the Fireman's band and police and fireman escorts.

Bishop died last Friday after an illness of several months with heart trouble. He entered the service of the fire department 16½ years ago. At the time of his death he was connected with the fire company located in the 2nd block on Enright avenue.

Surviving are a widow, Mrs. Anna Bishop, a daughter, Mrs. Mary Brown, and a son, Mrs. Mamie Lewis. The deceased resided with his family at 2331 Laclede Ave.



# ERNEST BOONE, STATE SCHOOL OFFICIAL, DIES

Assistant Superintendent  
Was Native of Missouri;  
Lincoln U. Graduate

COLUMBIA, Mo. — Ernest O. Boone, assistant state superintendent of schools, died Sunday night, April 4, at his home, 504 Park avenue, of malignant disease from which he had suffered for seven years.

The funeral was held Tuesday morning, April 6, at the A. M. E. church.

Mr. Boone, former teacher in Kansas City, Mo., St. Joseph, Mo., and Marysville, Mo., was attacked by illness in 1930. He underwent an operation for the amputation of his right arm in 1931 and enjoyed comparatively good health until a few weeks ago when he became bedridden.

Born in Louisiana, Mo., Mr. Boone was born in Louisiana, Mo., where he attended public school. He was a graduate of Lincoln Institute, Jefferson City, Mo., and Lincoln University.

He had pursued graduate work at the University of Chicago and in the summer of 1930 studied at the University of Kansas.

His first teaching position was in Marysville which he left to enter the World War, turning his school work over to his wife, Mrs. Mildred Boone.

After the war Mr. Boone began teaching in St. Joseph where he remained until 1925. In September, 1927, he went to Chillicothe and from there in 1929 went to Kansas City where he was principal of the Dunbar school until the end of the 1931-32 school year.

To State Post in 1935

Mr. Boone was appointed assistant superintendent of state school for Negroes by Superintendent W. E. King in 1935. In this position, he spoke at the convention of the Missouri State Association of Negro Teachers and appeared on programs of the various district associations of teachers. He was scheduled to speak at

the meeting of the Tri-County Association of Teachers in Norborne Saturday, April 10.

Mr. Boone is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mildred Boone, a teacher here; a son, Ernest O. Boone 2d; a brother in Chicago.

# DR. HOWARD SMITH DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Democratic Leader Once  
Headed Hospital and  
Home for Aged

(Photo on Page 9)

Dr. Howard M. Smith, a leading political figure here

for 25 years, died Tuesday afternoon, April 13, shortly before 1 o'clock at his home, 2329 Tracy avenue, where he had been seriously ill of pneumonia for a week.

Dr. Smith had held two of the major political positions available to Negroes in Kansas City. He was superintendent of the Jackson County Home for Aged in Little Blue, Mo., for 10 years and was superintendent of General Hospital No. 2 for seven years.

In City Health Post At the time of his death, Dr. Smith was physician in the children's hygiene division of the city health department, to which position he was appointed by the late Dr. Jabez N. Jackson in September, 1934.

He continued in the post when Dr. Shorer became city health director at Dr. Jackson's death. Dr. Smith was high in the political circles of the city. A staunch Democrat for many years, he was a member of the Preble Hall faction. He was lieutenant of the Fourth ward Democratic club.

A native of Baltimore, Dr. Smith came here more than a quarter of a century ago.

A Pennsylvania Graduate He was a graduate of Lincoln University in Chester county, Pa., and received his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania medical college.

Dr. Smith was a member of the University of Pennsylvania's crack relay team in 1902, 1903 and 1904. He won the intercollegiate quarter-mile and half-mile and cups for his victories in the 60-mile and two-mile runs.

Throughout his career, Dr. Smith

was devoted to children. He specialized in the treatment of their diseases. The physician was a member of the Elks lodge and the Chi Delta Mu medical fraternity. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Anna B. Smith, whom he married in Chicago in 1908; a son, William T. Smith; two sisters, Mrs. H. S. McCard and Mrs. Thomas Lee, both of Baltimore; a nephew McFarlane Fitzgerald of Boston, and a niece, Elizabeth McCard Nichols, of Baltimore. Mrs. H. S. McCard of Baltimore and Mrs. Homer Roberts of Chicago, a close friend of the family, arrived Wednesday morning to attend the funeral services.

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Beside her husband, she is survived by a sister, Mrs. Lucretia Lee of Glasslake, Mich.; a niece, Mrs. Mary Doyle, of Atchison; an aunt, Mrs. Anna Bell Dickson of Kansas City, Kas.; and two nephews, John Doyle Jr. and James Doyle.

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# MRS. ELMER DOTSON DIES; HUSBAND ILL

Order of Eastern Star  
Leader Succumbs; Fu-  
neral Saturday

While her husband was in the hospital in a serious condition from poison ivy rash, Mrs. Minnie Dotson, 1811 East Ninth street, died unexpectedly Tuesday evening, September 14.

She was the wife of Elmer R. Dotson, past district deputy grand master of the Missouri grand lodge of Masons, who has been a patient at the University of Kansas hospital for four weeks.

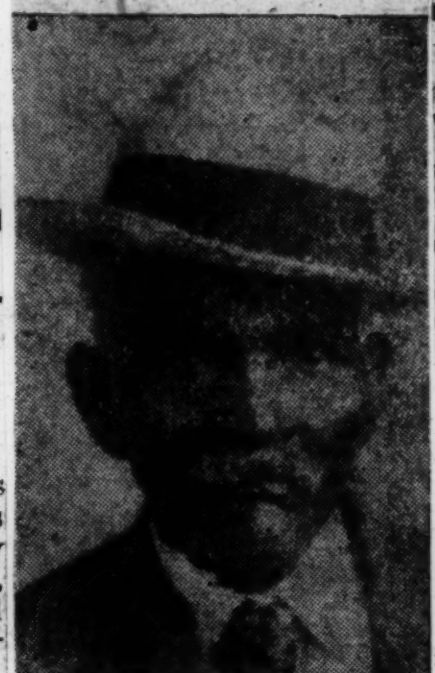
Mrs. Dotson died at 8604 East Fifteenth street with her niece, Mrs. Mary Doyle of Atchison at her bedside. Mr. Dotson is superintendent of the Lincoln cemetery at the Fifteenth street address.

Funeral at Allen Chapel Funeral services for Mrs. Dotson were held Saturday morning, September 18 at 11 o'clock at the Allen Chapel A. M. E. church, Tenth and Charlotte streets of which she was a member for many years.

Burial was in the family lot in Atchison, Kas. The body lay in state at the West, Appleton, Jones funeral home.

Mrs. Dotson was a past matron of Zorah chapter, No. 20, Order of the Eastern Star, which had charge of the burial services. Was 50 Years Old At one time, Mrs. Dotson was a member of the Allen Chapel Stewardess board. She was a member

# VETERAN OF FOUR WARS, 111 YEARS OLD, IS BURIED



SERGT. WM. BULGER  
Was Early Trail Blazer in West  
Under General Custer

Sergt. William Bulger, who was born in 1826 and fought under U. S. Grant in the Civil War as a man 35 years of age, under General Custer in the Indian Wars, in the Spanish and American Wars and the Boer War, was buried with military honors Thursday morning. Funeral services were at Gates Funeral Home and interment in National Cemetery, Jefferson Barracks.

The veteran of four wars died Friday of pneumonia at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Geneva Turner, at 22240 Chouteau avenue. He had enjoyed good health and could read without

glasses until the time he was stricken with illness. His fondest delight was to relate his war experiences.

Was Real Pioneer

Bulger was born 111 years ago in Canada of French-Canadian and Chotow Indian parents. He came to the U.S. at an early age and was among the trail blazers in the early west. He joined the Union Soldiers in the Civil War.

He spent the greater part of his latter years in Tulsa County, Okla., where he retired a successful farmer. He married Emma Featherstone, daughter of a Chotow brave in 1894. In 1931 he came to St. Louis to live with his daughter, Mrs. Turner.

Besides Mrs. Turner, the other survivors are Mrs. Armona Page of Tulsa, a daughter; two grandchildren in Tulsa; two nieces, Nola Ralwater of Chicago and Isabella Peachland of Wichita, Kans., and a son-in-law, Robert Turner of St. Louis.

# DEATH TAKES CIVIL WAR VETERAN WHO WAS 111 YEARS OLD

St. Louis, Oct. 7 (AP)—Last rites were held Thursday for venerable William Bulger, 111 years old, one of the country's best known veterans of the Civil War and who served in the Union army, as a member of Company G, 44th U. S. Infantry under General Grant. Burial was in National Cemetery, Jefferson Barracks. The aged warrior succumbed last Friday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Geneva Turner and was a pneumonia victim.



## DIES IN HOSPITAL

Committee being elected from the Presbyterian Church, with the 17th Assembly District.

Funeral services will be held Thursday from the Church of the Crucifixion, 43 West 140th street, Ont.

A widow, Elizabeth Murray Mitchell, survives.

## Mrs. Charlotte Dett Dies At Age Of 75

Was The Mother Of Dr.  
R. Nathaniel Dett  
Noted Musician

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y.—Mrs. Charlotte Dett, one of the oldest and best known residents of the Niagara Frontier, died April 8, after an illness of two years. She was 75 years of age and a native of this section. She was the widow of the late Robert T. Dett and mother of Dr. R. Nathaniel Dett, noted pianist-composer, and of Samuel W. Dett, local post office employee.

Cultured and possessing the natural qualities of leadership, Mrs. Dett always took the keenest interest in the welfare of her own people. She also attained a high place in fraternal, civic, political, welfare and social circles. Her graciousness and talents won for her the respect and admiration of all whom she came in contact.

Her activities included five years as Republican Committeewoman in the second district of the first ward; past chairman of the ways and means committee of the National Federation of Women's Clubs; past vice president of the Empire State Federation of Women's Clubs; president of the Phyllis Wheatley Club; member of the executive board of the Women's Republican Club; member of the Unity Club and member of the Golden Rod Sewing Club.

In fraternal circles she was a member and past officer of the Order of Eastern Star, Bison City Court of Calanthe, No. 26, Knights of Pythias; member of Eureka Circle No. 289, Companions of the Forest, and a past officer and member of Queen Esther Household of Ruth.

Besides her two sons, she is survived by two grand children, Helen and Josephine Dett, the daughters of Dr. and Mrs. R. Nathaniel Dett.

Funeral services were Sunday afternoon, April 11, from the First

Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Albertus C. Van Raalte, pastor, officiating. Interment was in the Fairview Cemetery, Niagara Falls.

## Mme. Selika, Once Famous Singer, Dies; 88 Years Old

Mme. Marie Selika Williams, known on the concert stage of both this country and Europe 50 years ago as Mme. Selika, died May 19 in the Metropolitan Hospital after an illness of many months. She was 88 and up to about a year ago had been an active figure in Harlem as teacher of voice.

Just as Marian Anderson is being acclaimed today, Mme. Selika was acclaimed in the eighties of the past century for her marvelous soprano voice. She was a mulatto, born in Natchez, Miss., but was taken to Cincinnati while still an infant. She spent her childhood and early years of her maturity in that city and began attracting attention by her singing while still in school.

She attracted the attention of some wealthy German-Americans who saw possibilities in the training of a colored girl to sing classical music at that time, and they made her their protegee. She received special training in Chicago and San Francisco and then went abroad, where in 1882 she made a command appearance before the King of England and was presented to other European royalty under the sponsorship of the Spanish Ambassador to England.

Returning to this country she made several triumphal tours. Then she married Sampson Williams and settled down as a teacher. Mr. Williams, her husband, became an invalid and lingered in ill health for 9 years. She spent much of her money in trying to effect a cure for him but was unsuccessful. He died 26 years ago.

Mme. Selika was for a time associated with the Martin-Smith Music School but later gave private lessons. As her health began to fail, she gradually retired and lost connections with her former associates.

A dim reminder came out of the past some five years ago when a white friend died in Newark, N. J., and left Mme. Selika \$2,000. However, the will was made before the depression and when it was probated it was found that the estate had shrunk so much that the bequest was never paid.

Mme. Selika was a devout Catholic and requiem high mass was held for her at St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church on Monday morning and the body was shipped to Philadelphia by Marion A. Daniels and Sons for interment in the family plot.

Surviving are three half-sisters in London, Ohio, and a brother whose whereabouts she had not known for some time, also a nephew and niece in New York and many distant relatives in Ohio.

## Old-Time Diamond Star Dead

Frank Grant, one of several Negro ball players who played in the International League in the 1890's, died in St. Mark's Hospital last week. As second baseman of the Buffalo International team, Grant was rated by sports writers of his day as one of the greatest players of all time. Funeral services were held in the Mamie Anderson Home, 1100 E. 14th St., Wednesday afternoon.

He was 72 years old.  
Savannah, Ga., Press  
June 16, 1937

## HELPED PUT NEGRO SCHOOL IN SAVANNAH

The New York Times says Miss Fanny Lee Seward, first principal of the Daily Vacation Bible School at Plymouth Church, died on Sunday in the Congregational Home, 123 Linden boulevard, Brooklyn, at the age of 79. She was educated at the Guilford (Conn.) Institute and Wellesley College and later became associated with the American Missionary Association. She assisted in establishing schools for negroes in Atlanta, Savannah and Wilmington, N. C.

Augusta, Ga. Herald  
June 27, 1937  
FAMOUS AUGUSTA MUSICIAN  
PASSES IN N. Y. MONDAY

Mme. Pearl Wimberly Wright, former Augusta woman, died in New York City Monday, according to a telegram to friends here. The passing of Mme. Wright will bring sorrow to many friends here. Mme. Wright was born and reared in Augusta, the daughter of the late A. W. Wimberly, former editor of The Augusta Herald's colored news, and Mme. Amanda Wimberly.

At the time of her death, Mme. Wright was the pianist for Ethel Waters, the celebrated New York singer, with whom Mme. Wright had been associated with for a number of years in the realm of music.

Mme. Wright received her high school education at Haines Institute, this city, and later graduated from Atlanta University. She took her music both voice and instrument at Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn. Going North upon the completion of her

education, she had a very successful career in the theatrical world.

The funeral was held in New York City, Friday morning at 10:00 o'clock, with a requiem mass at St. Thomas Catholic Church.

The survivors are two daughters, Catherine and Vivian Wright, and one brother, Dr. Vernon Wimberly, all of New York City.

## Bishop Brookes Dies Was Eminent Cleric Hold Solemn Services

By LEROY YARD

On Monday, October 25, All Saints Church and Community Center was the scene of a solemn requiem mass in honor of Bishop George Samuel Alexander Brookes, who died on the morning of October 21 in his 62nd year of his life. Bishop Brookes had been ailing for a year but still found time to perform his clerical duties to which his entire life was consecrated. He has left behind a brilliant career and a name which will live in the hearts of his fellowmen, many, many years to come.

The bishop, native of New B.W. I., was inspired to enter the ministry as a preliminary step to his high calling. He became an active member in the church and especially in the Sunday school of his parish. He traveled to Bermuda and then to America in 1902.

After a course of studies from Payne Theological Seminary, the deceased was ordained a minister. For fifteen years he ministered in various churches in New Haven, Connecticut, during the summer months until about 1921 at which time he removed to Brooklyn.

Here he was called to the pastorate of the Ebenezer Wesleyan Methodist Episcopal Church, which during the four years of his incumbency grew to unsurpassed proportions. About 1925, he became a priest in the African Orthodox Church and in 1927 he was consecrated to the episcopate. Three years later he severed connection with the African Orthodox Church to form the Afro-American Catholic Church.

Bishop Brookes was well beloved by all who knew him, his affectionate and sympathetic nature, his utter devotedness to the work of God and his ability to stand firm in the face of overwhelming difficulties are all

testimonies of the sterling character of the man. Of him it may be truthfully said that he loved man and nature, good books and good works. Bishop Brookes is survived by a loving wife whose loyalty and devotion to him largely contributed to his success. Also a son and a host of friends both here and abroad. His expert knowledge of steel earned

CHARLES E. MITCHELL

## Old Ailment Causes Death of Former Minister To Liberia

Charles E. Mitchell of 1925 Seventh avenue, who was United States Minister to Liberia from January 1931 to February 1933, died Monday in Harlem Hospital of an embolism which developed following an operation. The former U. S. Minister was 66 years old.

A native of St. Michaels, Md., Mr. Mitchell was a grandnephew of Frederic Douglass, famed Negro orator, and United States Minister to Haiti, who reared him. From 1904 until his appointment in 1931 as U. S. Minister to Liberia, Mr. Mitchell served as business manager of West Virginia State College. He was also president of the Mutual Savings and Loan Corporation of Charleston, West Virginia, 1920-1931 and had extensive realty holdings.

In both West Virginia and in New York, Mr. Mitchell was an active Republican and held high places in party councils. He was a member of the State Committee of West Virginia from 1921 to 1929, chairman of the Negro division in 1916, and of the Negro division of the National Committee in 1924. Upon locating in New York in 1933, he became a member of the State



# DEATH TAKES IRA KEMP, A HARLEM POLITICAL FIGURE

By EDWARD COLLINS

NEW YORK, Dec. 10—Ira Kemp, 35, who ran on the Republican ticket for assemblyman of the nineteenth district and was defeated by Robert Justice, Democrat, was found dead in his hotel apartment at 2047 Seventh avenue, early Friday morning.

Mr. Kemp's lifeless body was discovered by Alvin Lee, superintendent of the building who became disturbed at failing to get a response to several knocks at the door of the dead man's apartment. He then went to the office, secured a key and upon unlocking the door found the politician lying on the bed dead. He was rushed to Harlem hospital but was already dead.

## Had Lived Alone

Mr. Kemp had lived alone at the hotel. Police say he had a wife, Mrs. Grace Kemp, a nurse at Harlem hospital but they weren't living together. They also report a niece, Miss Kathrine Harris who lives at 2 West 120th street.

Although Mr. Kemp was making his first bid for public office he had been a figure in the eyes of the public for a long time. His organization known as "The Harlem Labor Union Ins." organized in November 1934 had been active in securing work for race folk in Harlem.

As a result of Mr. Kemp's campaign, several of the larger stores on 125th street owned by members of other races have hired Race girls. It was in this plan that Mr. Kemp waged a most diligent fight for recognition and labor rights.

## Starts Move

Among the claims made by the "Labor Union" was one that the A. F. of L. and C. I. O. came into Harlem for members and with organizing groups after the former had started the ball to rolling.

While Mr. Kemp did much for Harlem his road was hardly one of roses. Many of the merchants and other organizations fought him to the limit. But he did not quit and at the time of his death was planning a new move for the working people of Harlem.

One of the more recent plans of Mr. Kemp was to publish a book containing data and pictures of various members of congress and also local politicians of prominence in this and other cities. This book he is alleged to have talked over with a Mme. Lebow the day before he died.

Death has been pronounced as of natural causes but Officer Herman Morris of the twenty-eighth precinct is investigating the affair.



GREENSBORO, N. C., NEWS  
July 1, 1937  
**NEGRO EDUCATOR IN  
HIGH POINT PASSES**

Greensboro Daily News Bureau  
100% W. Washington, Telephone 2873  
High Point, June 30.—Alfred James Griffin, for approximately 40 years a prominent negro educator of this city, died at his home this afternoon at 4 o'clock following a long period of declining health and serious illness for the past 10 days.

For 25 years he was president of the High Point Normal and Industrial Institute under the supervision of the New York Society of Friends. In 1923 the city took over the school and Griffin continued as principal of the William Penn high school.

He is survived by his wife, Ophelia Thompson Griffin; four daughters, four sons and three grandchildren.

High Point, N. C. Enterprise  
July 1, 1937

**A GREAT TEACHER**

The death of Professor A. J. Griffin closes the career of a man who gave a life-time to public and private education and to improvement of the Negro race in this community. He served for 40 years as head of the colored education movement here and there is reflected from his service a living monument to his work that will endure so long as there live those who were privileged to know his enriching contact.

Professor Griffin was a pioneer teacher who gave his life to a profession and a race in which he had a passionate interest. He headed the High Point Normal and Industrial school and guided its destiny and usefulness until it became the William Penn high school, one of the state's finest colored educational plants. Until his death he continued to manifest an interest and influence which made race relationships here better and more wholesome; in the Commission on Inter-racial Co-operation he was

genuinely interested and helpful, as in all civic endeavor looking to the advancement and servicefulness of his people.

Professor Griffin is a magnificent example of a man who gave himself to his people. Educated, intelligent, courageous and fair, he appreciated the opportunity and privilege that is the Negro's, and he sought to provide the educational equipment with which the colored people may come into their heritage. To a life so useful, there is no end within the material bounds of the mortal.

Durham, N. C., Morning Herald  
November 5, 1937

**A. G. SPAULDING PASSES  
AFTER WEEK'S ILLNESS**

A. G. Spaulding, 62, prominent Durham Negro and brother of C. C. Spaulding, president of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance company, died at his home last night after an illness of one week.

Spaulding was a resident of Durham for the past 40 years and was connected with the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance company for the past 25 years.

He is survived by his wife; one son, Lemuel A. Spaulding; three daughters, Otelia Stewart and Martha Dooms of Durham and Novella Mears of New York; two sisters, Maggie L. Kennedy of Durham and Mary A. Spaulding of New York; three brothers, C. C., E. G., and I. R., Spaulding, all of Durham.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon from the White Rock Baptist church of which Spaulding was a member for many years.



# Well Known N. C. Farmer Passes Away

Special to Journal and Guide  
MARGARETTSVILLE, N. C. — Suddenly stricken while working in his vegetable garden on his 240 acre farm here, Nathan T. Calvert, prominent Northampton county farmer died Monday, July 19, before treatment could be administered. He was 77 years of age.

A pioneer resident, Mr. Calvert thru the years had become a political factor in Northampton county. He once served as

MR. CALVERT registrar of voters in his precinct and was regularly called for jury service in Federal courts.

In addition to his political activities, he was serving at the time of his death as trustee of Rich Square Institute and chairman of the Deacon Board of Zoar Baptist church, Margarettsville. He served at one time as president of the Northampton Baptist State Sunday School Convention and was president of the County Parent Teachers Association.

Besides his widow, he was survived by eight children, seven grandchildren and one great grandchild. His children are Thomas Calvert of Port Washington, L. I.; Miss Ruth A. Calvert of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Willie C. Calvert of Margarettsville; Mrs. Mary Calvert-Alston of Portsmouth, Va.; Mrs. Maude S. Ghyl of Brooklyn; Prof. S. G. Calvert of Carthage, N. C.; Mrs. Beatrice Calvert-Hoskins of Norfolk; and Miss Cherry L. Calvert of Portsmouth.

Funeral services will be held here Friday, July 23. Interment will be in the family cemetery.



Wilmington, N. C. News  
August 5, 1937

## Aged Bladen Negro School Teacher Dies

BLADENBORO, Aug. 5. — C. C. Singletary, 78-year-old negro who taught school for 35 years, died at his home here on July 31.

Singletary's record as a school teacher was one seldom equalled by members of his race. He was highly respected and beloved by both white and colored, who knew him as "Uncle Charles."

He leaves a widow, 15 children and 46 grandchildren.

## Two Rates Hit Hard By Death Of N. C. Woman

## Mrs. Caroline Jones Mourned By Both Races

Special to Journal and Guide  
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C. — Passing on to the Ultimate amid a triumph of a Christian life well-lived. Mrs. Caroline Jones was laid to eternal rest here with a eulogy that could be called anything but hal-low. In death she achieved the triumph of her life—she had broken down race barriers and joined white and black in the kindred spirit of mourning the loss of a mutual friend.

Mrs. Jones submitted to the inevitable at the age of 58 and two of the clergy, Rev. Melvin of Mt. Calvary and Rev. Harris of Snow Hill Baptist from this citadel of worship in the deceased was committed to the final resting place, paid their eloquent tributes to the woman who had endeared herself to the hearts of both races.

More than two hundred white mourners joined in the processional that hung their heads and displayed unmistakable manifestations of grief. Such a scene had not heretofore been witnessed in this section to the extent that it was demonstrated on this occasion.

Funeral arrangements were in charge of Stephen Rogers.

Greensboro, N. C. News  
September 9, 1937

## JOHN D. WRAY TO BE BURIED HERE TODAY

Funeral of Prominent Negro  
Educator and Agriculture  
Leader Set For 3 P. M.

HAD BEEN STATE AGENT

Funeral for Prof. John Dudley Wray, long a prominent negro educator and leader in the field of improved agriculture in North Carolina and other states, who died at 11:45 o'clock Monday night at his home, 150 North Dudley street, after a short period of illness, will be held at 3 o'clock this afternoon at his residence.

Officiating ministers will be Rev. J. W. Tynes, pastor of Providence Baptist church; Rev. J. J. Scarlette, former pastor of Providence, who is now of Winston-Salem, and Rev. John J. Green, rector of the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer. Interment will be in Maplewood cemetery.

Surviving Professor Wray are his wife and four children, all of Greensboro. He had a long and highly successful career in the sphere of public education and was widely known not only because of his connection with schools and colleges but also by reason of having been actively engaged in religious and civic enterprises many years.

Professor Wray's early education was received in the public schools in his native county of Person. Subsequently he attended Albion academy, Franklinton, and still later he was a student at A. and T. college, Greensboro, from which he graduated in the class of 1909. Institutions in which he held successively the position of teacher of agriculture included Tuskegee institute, Tuskegee, Ala.; A. and T. college here and Lincoln institute in Kentucky.

For more than a decade Professor Wray was state farm agent among negroes in North Carolina, at the same time representing the United States department of agriculture, with headquarters in Greensboro. During that period he

was in charge of the negro farm-makers, or negro 4-H clubs as they now are known, in North Carolina. Subsequently he was agricultural director at A. and M. college, Tallahassee, Fla. His last position was that of teacher of vocational agriculture at Normal and Industrial institute, Laurinburg. Because of declining health he had been inactive several months.

Reidsville, N. C. Review  
December 2, 1937

## DEATH CLAIMS NEGRO EDUCATOR

Professor J. A. McRae, the principal of Washington high school, Branch street and the Race Track elementary schools, died this morning in Memorial hospital after a few days illness. On Monday he was suffering from a deep cold, which developed into pneumonia Tuesday. He was taken to the hospital but lived only two days.

Surviving are his wife, who was Geneva Brincefield, an infant daughter, father, stepmother, brothers and sisters.

Professor McRae came to Reidsville from Asheboro in 1918 as principal of one grammar school for Negroes. He was a graduate of Bennett College and later received his master's degree at Columbia University, in New York.

At the time he came to this city, there was only one small building for Negroes and little racial harmony between the Negro boys and girls and the whites. With his coming there grew up a better spirit of racial understanding between the two races and the school system has grown into what it is today.

Whenever there was friction between groups of his race, the difficulties were straightened out by his guiding, reason and wisdom. He will be missed by the citizens of Reidsville for he proved himself a very active citizen, taking part in all community activities that would prove beneficial to either race.

In the administrative field he will be missed for he was an active member and supporter of all educational programs. He was equally

as active in religious matters. It has been aptly said that Professor McRae was the finest Negro educator in this section of North Carolina.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed today.

Charlotte, N. C. Observer  
December 20, 1937

## PIONEER NEGRO EDUCATOR DIES

Rev. Louis H. Hackney, 83,  
Dies in Chapel Hill After  
Illness of Five Months.

Special to The Observer.  
CHAPEL HILL, Dec. 19. — Rev. Louis H. Hackney, 83, well-known negro minister and pioneer negro educator in this part of the State, died this morning after illness of five months.

He began preaching when he was 15 years old, and became pastor of the Rock Hill Baptist church on West Franklin street in 1877. Only two of his church members living at that time now survive. His wife, Laura Edwards Hackney, 80, and his master's degree at Columbia University, in New York.

He had served as minister of the Rock Hill church 60 years. Rev. Hackney was eminent in the field of negro education. He began teaching in a small one-room log cabin a few miles from here in 1874. He taught a school on West Franklin street until a two-story frame school house was built on Merritt Mill road. This was destroyed by fire, and Rev. Hackney was instrumental in establishing the Orange county training school for negroes in 1928.

The aged preacher was taken ill after having given a farewell talk to a Sunday school convention here in July. Surviving are his wife Laura Hackney, two daughters, Veora Floyd of Florida, Patty Hopkins of Chapel Hill, and three sons Louis of Detroit, Mich., Willie of Kansas City, Mo., and Robert Hackney of Chapel Hill. Funeral services will be held here Wednesday or Thursday.



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Raleigh, N. C. Observer  
January 17, 1937

## NEGRO BANK CASHIER IS TAKEN BY DEATH

N. N. Jefferson, cashier of the Raleigh unit Mechanics and Farmers Bank, died Friday night at St. Agnes Hospital of tuberculosis. He will be buried in his home town of Bristol, Tenn., on Monday or Tuesday. The body will leave here by train Sunday. He is survived by his mother, one brother and sister. He came to Raleigh from Durham in January of last year to assume charge of the local bank.

# Merchant Who Found 'Acres of Diamonds' On Main Street of Southern Community Passes on; Praised By Booker T. Washington

## W. P. Evans Created A \$75,000 Business In Small Town

(Special to Journal and Guide)  
LAURINBURG, N. C.

The death of the late W. P. Evans has brought to light another of those inspiring sagas which give the lie to northern prophets and scare-mongers that the South is anathema to the Negro of courage, intelligence, and character.

Pioneer merchant, successful real estate operator, business crusader, and benefactor to thousands of his people, Mr. Evans survived the prophecies of disaster and race friction—yielding only to that monster depression—and left a biography that might be captioned, "Evans of Main Street."

Coming to Laurinburg in 1882 from Wilmington, N. C., his birthplace, a visionary lad of 18, he remained for 55 years with the following achievements to his credit when death removed him from earthly labor.

### LIFE'S WORK

Out of the profits of his first grocery store opened in 1885 he built, in 1907, a three-story white press brick store with elevator service, the only one of its kind then in the community.  
This was the nucleus for an ex-

tensive mercantile business which served the farmers for miles around Washington visited his establishment and gave direct birth to other Negro businesses.

Most Negro enterprises in the South are far away from Main St., the whole country. Dr. Washington chose the heart of Main Street for his headquarters and Mr. Evans to Tuskegee Institute built there a chain of businesses where he gave a series of lectures which was valued at \$75,000 at the height of the depression.

### SOME ACHIEVEMENTS

He inaugurated the first cash and carry system in the community. Established the first and oldest wood and coal yard in Laurinburg; owned and operated a ten horse farm and controlled another of 14 horses.

He was instrumental in improving housing and health conditions among Negroes and succeeded in his campaign with town officials to have water pipes put in the colored section.

He built the first lathered plastered house for rent to colored people and at death had built some 32 homes with modern conveniences for their comfort.

### DEPRESSION LOSSES

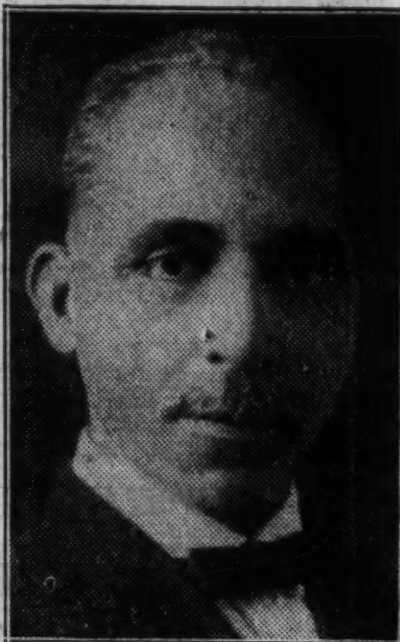
When the depression came the farmers and town people against whom he held heavy bills could not keep faith with him, he was unable to get credit from banks or cash from friends to meet the financial emergencies. Imbued with the spirit of racial pride and martyrdom, he gave up most of his assets to satisfy his creditors.

### AIDED BY WIVES

Two women played a brilliant role in the busy life and achievements of the deceased, his first wife, Mrs. Josephine M. Evans, also deceased, whose loyalty made his early start a success; and his second wife, the former Miss Annie D. Clark, who was his chief inspiration in solidifying his varied interests and comforting him in the days of adversity.

The scope of his activities as leader, friend and counselor was extensive, and his philanthropic and charitable contributions to racial efforts in and beyond his home and state will ever memorialize him in the hearts of the institutions and recipients. His tact and courage, his character and integrity won him universal respect of all classes with and among whom he lived and served.

## DEATH MOURNED



The late W. P. Evans of Laurinburg, N. C., pioneer merchant and benefactor, whose passing is mourned throughout the South.

# Impressive Funeral Exercises Held For Town's First Citizen

## Eulogies By White And Colored Leaders Extol Character And Virtues of Deceased;

### Influence Was National

(Special to Journal and Guide)

LAURINBURG, N. C.—Impressive funeral rites were held here last week for the late W. P. Evans, pioneer merchant, business crusader and benefactor, who died February 27 in his 74th year.

Hundreds of sorrowing friends, sympathizers, and business and civic leaders whose lives were patterned after his, came from far and near to pay their last respect to the deceased and testify to his greatness as a citizen and humanitarian.

### HIS EARLY LIFE

Special delegations came from Michigan, New York, Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Virginia. Telegraphic and written messages of condolence poured in to the family from all sections of the country.

The deceased was born in Wilmington, N. C., in 1863 coming to Laurinburg with his first wife, also deceased in 1882.

He was educated at Gregory Institute, Wilmington, N. C., and served for two years as deputy clerk in the office of Registrar of Deeds in New Hanover County. He was General Delivery clerk in the Wilmington Post Office for four years.

He founded and operated one of the most successful mercantile businesses in the country catering to the specific needs of Negro farmers and ordinary laborers.

### RACE CONSCIOUS

He was an uncompromising apostle of racial self-help. A conversation he had with one of his friend reveals the character which brought him fame. His friend asked him in 1907 when he built the town's finest business home on Main Street, "Evans, what do you mean, white folks will run you away from this town." Evans replied, "I am making this building as big as possible, located on the principal street in town; with the patronage of my race it will stand there as a monument, without their patronage it will stand as a tombstone to its builder."

He leaves to mourn his loss, his widow, Mrs. Annie Clark Evans; two daughters, Mrs. Annie Evans Berry of Wilmington, N. C. and Miss Charity Evans; three sons, W. P. Evans, Jr., W. Allen Evans, and Robert Taylor Evans; two sisters, Mrs. Hattie Heidt of Savannah, Ga., Mrs. Minnie B. Lee of Norfolk, Va., four grandchildren and one brother, George W. Evans of Newark, N. J.



# E. E. CURTRIGHT, N.C. EDUCATOR REPORTED DEAD

Illness Contracted Five  
Years Ago Fatal

HIGH POINT, N. C., April 30.—

(Special)—A pioneer in education and a member of one of the oldest and most prominent of Georgia families, Edward E. Curtright, former principal of the William Penn high school, died here April 20 of an illness contracted in 1932.

Prof. Curtright was born in Greene County, Georgia, the son of the late George and Savannah Curtright. After completing the work in the local schools, he entered the Atlanta university to join his brothers the late Felix A. and N. W. Curtright, and remained until his graduation in the early nineteen hundreds.

He was offered work in several states, but North Carolina attracted him and he accepted work there and remained over thirty years. He was a teacher at High Point Normal and Industrial school for many years and when the Society of Friends donated that institution to the city, Prof. Curtright was made principal and the name was changed to William Penn high school.

The William Penn High school was known as one of the most outstanding high schools in the South and one of the first to be accredited due to the untiring efforts of Prof. Curtright as principal. He remained at this post until he was stricken in 1932 by the illness which proved fatal on April 20.

Prof. Curtright was an instructor at A. and T. college, Greensboro, N. C., summer school, for many years. He did post graduate work at Columbia university, University of Colorado, and University of Chicago.

He was a staunch member of the Baptist church and served as a deacon until his illness prevented his discharging his duties. A public spirited character, and one always ready to lead his race to nobler heights, he was highly esteemed by leaders of both races, and his home was the mecca for educators of his day.

He leaves a widow, Lola Brooks Curtright, daughter of one of the most renowned ministers of the ME church; a brother, Prof. A. C. Curtright of Georgia State College, Savannah, Ga.; a sister, Mrs. Hattie Stripling, Denver, Colo.; nieces, Miss Essie M. Curtright, Florida A. and M. College, Tallahassee, Fla.; Mrs.

Julia, Curtright Joseph, Johnson County Training School, Smithfield, Mrs. Gladys Curtright Johnson, Chicago, nephews, Edward F. Curtright and N. W. Curtright of New York City, James Stripling, Denver Colorado, and Felix A. Curtright, Chicago.

## SAVIOUR OF N. C. UNIVERSITY IS DEAD AT 88

ROCK MOUNT—(AP)—One of this state's most colorful figures, and the last of North Carolina's colored legislators serving in the Assembly from the Reconstruction period until the turn of the century—Dred Wimberly, 88, and twice married, died at his home last week. Dred Wimberly was the father of 18 children, only four of whom survive.

Mr. Wimberly was first elected to the Legislature in 1879, as a member of the House of Representatives. Eight years later he was returned to the House and in 1889 he was elected a member of the Senate. A life-long Republican, Mr. Wimberly considers the highlights of his political career his deciding vote which kept open the doors of the University of North Carolina. Dr. Kemp Battle, president of the University sought an appropriation of \$15,000 to keep the institution alive and when the vote was called in the House the count was even, for and against, when Wimberly's name—the last on the roll call—was reached. He voted "aye," the appropriation was passed.

Raleigh, N. C., News & Observer  
June 17, 1937

## Negro Who Helped Save University Dies at 88

Rocky Mount, June 16.—One of the last of North Carolina's Negro Legislators, elected to the General Assembly during the period beginning with Carpet Bag control following the Civil War and ending at the turn of the century with the Democratic party's return to power, died here today.

Dred Wimberly, aged slave-born Negro, served three terms in the General Assembly during a 10-year period beginning in 1879, but he always admitted he was not qualified to serve as a lawmaker, but had "got in when nobody was looking."

However, he qualified as a "liberal" when he reached the peak point, in his own estimation, of his career in casting the vote which kept open the reopened University of North Carolina following the Civil War.

Wimberly was just 88 years old when he died. Funeral services will be held tomorrow. Twice married, he was the father of 18 children, only four of whom are still living. Wimberly was first elected to the Legislature in 1879 as a member of the House of Representatives. Eight years later, he was returned to the House and in 1889 he was elected a member of the Senate.

Wimberly, known and respected throughout Rocky Mount and the vicinity, was prouder of his vote to save the University than of anything in his career and it became his favorite story. During his first Legislature, Dr. Kemp Plummer Battle, then president of the University, sought a \$15,000 appropriation to keep the institution alive.

The fight was heated in both Houses of the Assembly, but especially so in the House. When the roll was called there, the count was even for and against the appropriation when Wimberly's name, last on the roll call, was reached. He voted "aye" and the appropriation carried.

Following his retirement from the Senate in 1889, Wimberly remained active in Republican party affairs in the Rocky Mount area until this century. In 1900, he was a North Carolina delegate to the Republican convention in Philadelphia and cast his vote for Theodore Roosevelt. "This was the second high spot in his own estimation of his political career."

Following the election of Roosevelt, Wimberly returned to Washington and served as janitor of the House of Representatives for two years.

Greensboro, N. C., News  
June 25, 1937

## INJURIES ARE FATAL TO NEGRO PHYSICIAN

Dr. Sebastian Succumbs to  
Hurts Suffered Wednesday In Collision.

FUNERAL IS SATURDAY

Dr. S. P. Sebastian, well known negro physician, died at 3:30 o'clock yesterday morning at L. Richardson Memorial hospital as a result of injuries received Wednesday morning in a car-truck collision at the intersection of Benbow road and East Washington street. Dr. Sebastian was making a call to a patient who had sustained an injury in an accident when his own car was struck. He died from the effects of a fractured skull, fractured jaw and broken left arm without regaining consciousness.

Funeral will be held at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the late residence, 1402 East Washington street. Rev. John J. Green, pastor of the Church of the Redeemer, in which the deceased was a member, will be in charge. Interment will follow in Maplewood cemetery.

Dr. Sebastian was highly respected by members of both the white and negro races. He had practiced medicine here since 1912 and for the past 20 years had been school physician at A. and T. college.

A native of Antigua, British West Indies, he came here in 1903 as a teacher at A. and T. college. He later attended Leonard School of Medicine, then operated in connection with Shaw university, Raleigh, and was the first interne at St. Agnes hospital, Raleigh.

It was largely due to his efforts that L. Richardson Memorial hospital was established here in 1927. At the time of his death he was secretary to the board of directors, the executive board and the staff. From 1927 to 1935 he served, in addition to his other duties, as superintendent of the hospital. All of these services were without compensation.

He was one of the negro leaders of the city and was active in civic and church affairs. It was largely through his efforts that more and

better accommodations were provided for unfortunate negroes at Guilford County Tuberculosis sanatorium.

Dr. Sebastian, who was about 57, is survived by his wife, the former Martha J. Oxford, librarian at Carnegie Negro library, and two sons, John Walter, senior at Harvard university, and Edward Powell, of the local Lutheran college.

Richmond, Va., Times-Dispatch  
June 17, 1937

## Ex-Legislator, Negro, Dies

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., (AP)—Dred Wimberly, aged slave-born Negro who was twice a representative and once a senator in the North Carolina Legislature, died at his home yesterday just after passing his 88th birthday.

Known and respected throughout the city, "Uncle" Dred's favorite story was of the time his vote in the Legislature broke a tie to pass a \$15,000 appropriation which Dr. Kemp Plummer Battle, president of the university, had asked for the reopened institution after the War Between the States.

He attended the Republican National Convention in 1900 in Philadelphia to help nominate Theodore Roosevelt for President. After the convention he went to Washington and served two years as janitor in the house.

He was elected to the Legislature in 1879 and again in 1887 and was chosen to the State Senate in 1889.

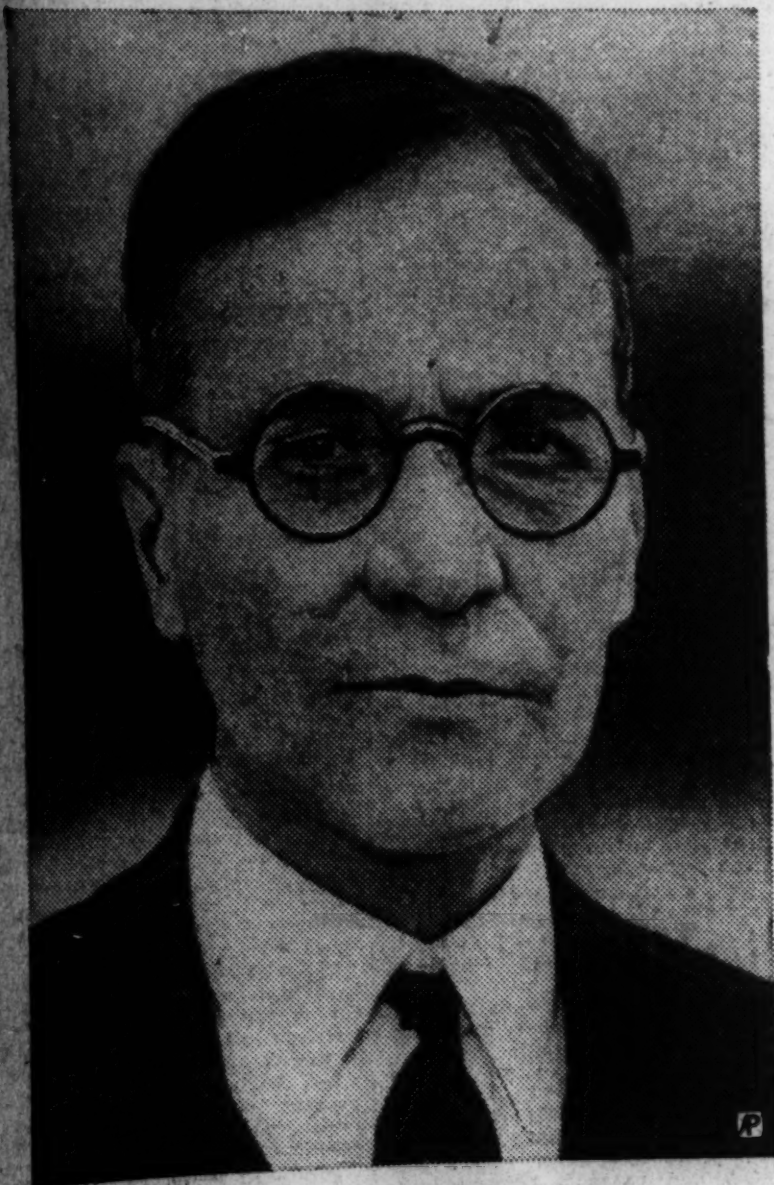
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## Newton D. Baker, Member Of War Cabinet, Is Dead



NEWTON D. BAKER

CLEVELAND, Dec 25 (AP)—Newton D. Baker, who as secretary of war mobilized the greatest army in the history of his country, died today after a heart attack.

The short, eloquent statesman who served in the World War cabinet of President Wilson had been confined to his bed since shortly after his 66th birthday Dec. 3. He was first stricken several months ago in Syracuse, N. Y.

He recovered from the attack and suit involving the utilities and the Tennessee Valley Authority. In the later years of his life, he had withdrawn gradually from the multiplicity of interests which he cultivated after leaving public serv-

ce, living quietly at his home here and visiting his law office frequently.

Last year he resigned as chairman of the Cuyahoga county (Cleveland) Democratic central committee a position he had held for 26 years. He said then "It's up to us older men to give the young fellows their chance."

Although reluctant in late years to express himself on political questions, he studied international affairs closely. A little more than a year ago, he said "the world is in the most unsafe situation I have ever seen it."

"Outside my profession," Baker said, "my two major interests are international affairs from the point of view of helping to build up in the world effective, constructive agencies for the preservation of world peace, and, second, the extension of educational opportunity and the adaptation of education to the present condition of the world so that democracy can have a chance to act with intelligence."

Baker is survived by his widow, one son, Newton D. Baker, third, two daughters, Mrs. Margaret Wright of St. Louis and Mrs. Elizabeth McGean of Cleveland, and five grandchildren.

Members of the family had gathered at the Baker home for a quiet Christmas. The former war secretary's son, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. McGean, a physician and a nurse were with him when he died.

Members of the family said he was "cheerful to the last" and felt well enough to join in some of the Christmas festivities. He conferred for a while early in the day with his law partner, Joseph C. Hostetler.

Dr. Roy Scott, one of his physicians, said Baker had suffered from heart trouble for several years. Death was caused, he said, by coronary thrombosis. Baker was conscious to within a few minutes of his death.



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# HEART AILMENT CLAIMS 'FORCE' 'CHEM' TEACHER

WILBERFORCE, Dec. 29.—Prof. Bruce Henry Green, teacher of chemistry at Wilberforce for more than thirty-four years, died at his home in Wilberforce Sunday afternoon at one o'clock, December 29. Death was due to heart trouble and complications.

Prof. Green was a native of Charleston, S. C., his parents being Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Green. His father was late Nelson Green, served as an inspector of customs at the port in Charleston for a number of years. Prof. Green received his early training in the Charleston schools and was graduated from Avery Institute of Charleston. He entered Phillips-Exeter Academy in New Hampshire and later enrolled at Brown University, Providence, R. I., from which he graduated in June, 1902, with the degree of Ph. B.

He came to Wilberforce as an instructor of chemistry in the fall of 1902. He received his M. A. degree from Wittenberg college, Springfield, Ohio, in 1933, and was awarded an honorary degree of M. S. by Wilberforce university for his services.

He was a member of the Wilberforce F. A. & A. M. lodge, No. 21, Xenia, Ohio; Kappa Psi fraternity; Sigma Pi Phi, Boule chapter; Trinity A. M. E. church of Wilberforce, and a number of auxiliary societies on the campus.

His marriage to Miss Sunie Preston Steele took place September, 1916, and she survives with a son, Bruce Henry Green, Jr., a student at Wilberforce. He also leaves his mother, Mrs. Anna Green, of Charleston, S. C., and a sister, Mrs. John Burgess, of Orange, S. C.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock, December, 23, in Jones' auditorium, Shorter hall. The services were largely attended by former students of the deceased who came from distant cities to pay homage to his worth as a citizen and teacher. Several professors from Ohio State university, Wittenburg college, and other

schools were present. A large cortege of friends followed the remains to Massie Creek cemetery, near Wilberforce university, where the remains were buried.

## Prominent Cincinnati Man Dies; Among First Of Race To Finish Oberlin

CINCINNATI, Jan. 14.—(By Jas. T. Whitney for ANP)—Willoughby B. Young, well-known Cincinnati resident, died Saturday. Mr. Young, whose home was in Kansas, came to Cincinnati after graduating from Oberlin college some 55 years ago. For 50 years Mr. Young was in the employ of the Fifty-third Union Central Trust Co., having recently been retired with honors. He was one of the founders of the Carmel Presbyterian Church, and was a member of the Executive committee which secured funds for the erection of the Ninth Street Y. M. C. A. building. In his earlier life, he was active in civic and fraternal organizations, but in his latter years, had concentrated his attention upon his church and the Y. M. C. A. Upon a recent visit to London, England, Mr. Young was given special recognition for his contribution to Y. M. C. A. work.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Angie Depriest of Cincinnati; a daughter, Mrs. Josephine Gilbert of Chicago; one son, William Young of Chicago; a grandson, several nephews and nieces, among whom are Miss Sadie Samuels and Miss Cleo Depriest of Cincinnati.

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## EX-SLAVE, VET OF CIVIL WAR, IS DEAD AT 95

### Alexander Moore Of Georgia Dies During Cleveland Visit

By GENE RAY

CLEVELAND, Dec. 10 — The funeral of Alexander Moore, 95, ex-Georgia slave and Ohio Civil war veteran, was held here Friday, Dec. 3. Moore died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Molly Hill, Monday, from old age and the ill effects of travel.

Four ministers, including Rev. M. C. Pollard, pastor of Quinn's chapel A. M. E. church; Rev. H. Cotton, pastor of First Mt. Olive Baptist church; Rev. Davis W. Hill, pastor of Second Mt. Sinai Baptist church, and Rev. J. G. Hinson officiated.

Moore was born in Athens, Ala., May 14, 1847, on the Malone plantation. His father and mother were William and Louise Moore. He was reared in the family of his owners, who were kind to him; but to aid in obtaining the freedom of himself and his people, he ran away to Cincinnati where he was mustered into the regular Federal army at the age of 18.

He used to tell of having his hat shot off while riding a horse; of fighting with corn stalks when he was without ammunition; and of stealing over into the enemy's camp to play cards with other Race fighters, when there was no battle. He saw service during the entire duration of the war. He fought under Sherman and Grant.

Settled in Georgia

After emancipation he settled in

Cuthbert, Ga., where he worked as a sharecropper on Watson's plantation. Here he met and was married to Lydia Bruston who became the mother of his two sons and four daughters. To better himself, Moore worked on other plantations.

Early in his manhood, Moore was converted and accepted a post as deacon in the Free Will Baptist church, which office he held for the remaining 75 years of his life. Later he moved to Sylvester, Ga. There he was identified with the New Providence Free Will Baptist church. He was also employed there as a hack driver for the Sperling undertakers for a number of years until he retired a few years ago. He was a member of the United Brothers of Friendship.

Here Six Months

His daughter, Mrs. Molly Hill and her brother, Arthur Moore, a brick mason contractor, settled here nearly a quarter of a century ago. Six months ago, in June shortly after his ninety-fifth birthday, Moore expressed a desire to come here to visit with them and was brought here by Mrs. Hill. The Civil war veteran's age was against him. He became ill on the train en route here, and remained indisposed throughout his visit in Cleveland.

Mrs. Hill stated Moore would awake in the night and sing "Nearer My God to Thee." This was used as the opening song at the funeral.

The pallbearers included Frank Humphrey, Van Pollard, Sam Burgen, J. R. Richardson, Frank Hawkins and Troy Hall. Interment was on the soldiers' plot in Highland Park cemetery.

Moore is survived by his son, Arthur, 49; three daughters, Lela Holmes, 65 and Essie Green, 47 of Sylvester, Ga., and Mrs. Hill, 61, of Cleveland. Twenty grandchildren, of whom the oldest is 44 and the youngest 11; 22 great-grandchildren, of whom Mae Parker, 22, is the eldest and Ben Hobbs, 11, is the youngest; and one great-great-grandchild, Ronnie Mitchell, 2, son of the late Robert Parker, who was the son of Lena Haley, daughter of Molly Hill, also survive.



## Widow of Dr. Inman E. Page Dies

Early Graduate of Wilberforce University

Heart failure was the cause of death of Mrs. Zelia R. Page, 87, in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Zelia N. Breaux, 1516 East Eighth street, at 10:30 Tuesday morning. The deceased was the wife of the late Dr. Inman E. Page.

The heart attack became noticeable to members of the family Monday afternoon when the aged woman, who had been confined to her bed because of a serious fall, which occurred in February, at which time she fractured her hip, developed great difficulty in breathing.

The deceased was born at Alexander, Virginia, before Lincoln's freedom and attended the public schools at Providence, Rhode Island. Following her grade school training the future wife of Dr. Inman E. Page was sent by her parents to Wilberforce university, where she received her B. S. degree in 1875.

Always interested in girls and their problems, Miss Zelia Ball, as she was then known, was on a lecture tour around the eastern seaboard, when one night in Washington, D. C., her future husband happened to be an interested listener in the audience. Introductions immediately followed, and a romance, noted for its high idealism and the utter and complete devotion which both husband and wife later gave to each other began, and lasted for 61 years.

Dr. Page had just completed the course at Brown university and he immediately became attached to the then Miss Zelia Ball. They were married in 1878, Dr. Page being immediately called to the presidency of a college at Natchez, Mississippi.

## THEODORE B. BAUGHMAN OF TULSA DEAD

7-9-37  
Founder of Oklahoma Eagle  
Once Worked With Nick Chiles of Topeka

TULSA.—The funeral for Theodore B. Baughman, 65-year-old founder of the Oklahoma Eagle, weekly newspaper, was held Monday afternoon, July 5, at the Wesley M. E. church.

Mr. Baughman died early Friday morning, July 2, at the Municipal hospital where he was taken Thursday night, July 1.

He complained of not feeling well for several weeks but continued his work at the Eagle office until Monday, June 28, when his condition grew worse.

His death came as a shock to the populace of Tulsa and the state of Oklahoma.

**Born In Texas**  
Mr. Baughman was born in Wharton, Texas, on April 5, 1872, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Baughman. At an early age he went to Victoria, Texas, where he worked as an apprentice in a white printing shop. In 1896, he married Miss Rosa Lee Grant and shortly afterward established the Victoria Guide.

Later, he became associate editor of the Topeka Plaindealer, working with the late Nick Chiles.

In 1918, Mr. Baughman came to Tulsa and joined the Tulsa Star. A year later he established the Oklahoma Eagle.

The Rev. J. N. Wallace, pastor of Wesley church, officiated at the funeral services.

**Had One Daughter**  
C. S. Roberts, editor of the Oklahoma Eagle, read the eulogy. The obituary was read by H. S. Hughes.

Acknowledgement of telegrams and condolences was given by S. D. McCree. Messages came from all over the state of Oklahoma, many from Texas and California.

The publisher is survived by his widow and one daughter, Eunice. Mrs. Baughman has been a member of the faculty at Langston university for two years.

The active pallbearers were: Jack Bloodworth, J. Tyler Smith, C. J. Alexander, Morris H. Neely, J. T. Braxton and Thomas R. Gentry.

The honorary pallbearers were: Roscoe Dunjee, J. Bernard Smith, H. C. McCormick, J. W. Sanford, B. C. Franklin, B. A. Waynes, H. J. Caver, M. F. Holt, E. W. Woods, George I. Lythcott, J. W. Tate, J. E. Johnson, James Cherry, John Bush and E. W. South.

Burial was in Crown Hill cemetery, Jackson funeral home in charge.

## Southwest Mourns Passing Of Editor

Theodore Baughman Of Oklahoma Eagle Dies In Tulsa

TULSA, Okla., July 23—(C)—Editor Theodore Baughman, 65, editor of the Oklahoma Eagle who died on Friday morning, July 2, is being mourned throughout the southwest, where he spent more than 40 years in newspaper work.

Born in Wharton, Tex., Mr. Baughman began his newspaper career before he was 20 as an apprentice in a white print shop at Victoria, Tex. After leaving the child of Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Baughman. At an early age he went to Victoria, Texas, where he worked as an apprentice in a white printing shop. In 1896, he married Miss Rosa Lee Grant and shortly afterward established the Victoria Guide.

Two years later he came to Tulsa and was first associated with the Tulsa Star until 1921, when the Oklahoma Eagle was born in a tent. In the 17 years since its establishment, The Eagle has grown steadily, until its crowning recognition came just before the editor's death, when it ranked eighth among all the Race newspapers of the country in publishing pictures of the Joe Louis fistic triumph, and eleventh among papers of the country in space devoted to the event.

DR. CRAWFORD, PHYSICIAN IN TULSA, BURIED

Doctor and World War Veteran Dies After Long Illness

12-17-37  
TULSA, Okla. (Special) Funeral services for Dr. D. W. Crawford, 632 East Pine street, were held at the Vernon A. M. E. church Tuesday afternoon, December 14.

The Rev. W. M. Jennings, pastor, gave the eulogy. The subject, by special request of Dr. Crawford was, "Christian Emancipation from the Fear of Death."

Dr. B. A. Waynes, president-elect of the local medical and Pharmaceutical association, made remarks on behalf of the profession. Mrs. Ida Belle Toomes made remarks on behalf of the nurses of the city. Remarks were also given from the president of the American Legion and Jasper Cheery, commander of the Wallace G. Moore post No. 140.

Resolutions, telegrams and condolences were read by Mrs. Della Williams. Prof. H. S. Hughes read the obituary.

Dr. Crawford died at the Veterans hospital in Muskogee, Thursday, December 9, after an illness of several months.

He was born in Columbus, Ga., in 1874 and was the son of D. C. Crawford and Priscilla Crawford.

He attended the public schools of Columbus and after graduation he continued his education under private tutor until he had completed a normal course. He married Miss Paralee Finley and to this union five children were born.

He served as principal of a private training school in Chattanooga, for two years and later enlisted in the Spanish-American war and served as first sergeant in the Eighth Regiment, company C. At the close of the war, he entered the Knoxville Medical college. In 1911, Dr. Crawford moved to Knoxville and opened a drug store.

In 1918 he went over seas and served in the World war. After the armistice was signed, Dr. Crawford studied at the University of Illinois. He came to Tulsa in 1922 and in 1923 he was graduated from the University of Oklahoma.

On December 29, 1926 he married Mrs. Sadie Parlee.

He served as physician of the public schools here for a number of years. At the time of his death he was president of the local medical association, was past president of the state medical association, was deputy grand master of the Masonic lodge and a member of the trust board of the Vernon A. M. E. church.

Aside from his widow, he is survived by a sister, Mrs. Matilda Westfield of the home address; a son, Harry Crawford; five nephews, Anthony Westfield of Dallas; Horace Westfield of St. Louis; Crawford Westfield of Birmingham; Arthur Westfield of Tulsa and a niece, Mrs. Mary Griffen and his grandnephew, Daniel Griffen of Birmingham.

Service was under the direction of Manor-Ross Funeral home. Burial at Crown Hill cemetery.



# **L. W. YOUNG DIES IN CLOVIS, N.M., TUESDAY; FUNERAL RITES SUN- DAY; BURIAL AT LANGSTON U.**

**Lingering Illness Comes to End For Man Who Was  
Once Mayor of Boley and Leader of Oklahoma  
Negro Democrats**

**Was Author of Two Books**

Dr. I. W. Young, 63, former mayor of Boley, twice president of Langston university, and for ten years head of the Negro Democratic Central Committee, died Tuesday, June 8, at 5:05 a. m., in Clovis, New Mexico.

The stricken Oklahoman came to election of Governor E. W. Marland with his son and daughter-in-law, when the board of regents met at his bedside. He had gone to Clovis one week prior with the hope of regaining his health. He had been suffering from a nervous collapse for the past year, but his death came as a surprise because of the thought of many that he was improving.

Immediately upon receipt of the news of her husband's demise, Mrs. Ardelia Young, widow, dispatched the McKay Funeral Home ambulance to Clovis and the body arrived in Oklahoma City Wednesday morning at 9:30. Mr. and Mrs. Bridgeford Young returned to the city with the remains.

Funeral services will be held Sunday at the Quayle M. E. church, Second and Lindsay streets, and the remains will be later transported to Langston university where at 2 p. m. the body will be interred on the campus by the side of the first president of the institution, Dr. Inman E. Page.

Dr. Young, for fifteen years the stormy petrel of Oklahoma politics, was named president of Langston university in 1923 by Ex-Governor Jack Walton. Dr. John M. Marquess, who died recently in Philadelphia, was then president of the institution, and Walton threatened to call out the militia in making the replacement. Dr. Young remained at the head of the institution until 1926, when following the impeachment of Jack Walton, he emerged from his battles and got into action three years ago.

With the election of Governor William H. Murray, Dr. Young was again placed in charge of the institution, where he remained until the

Committee. A pleasing speaker and a man of rich experiences, Dr. Young immediately upon his arrival in Oklahoma became active in all of the civic work of the state. He was a Mason, Odd Fellow, Knight Pythias, Elk, and in later years a member of the Kappa Alpha Psi and Chi Delta Mu fraternities.

Dr. Isaac W. Young was born in Glencoe, La., January 2, 1874. He attended grammar school from 1880 to 1887 and Gilbert college from 1887 to 1891. He later attended New Orleans university from 1896 to 1900.

It was in 1900 that he removed with his wife to Boley, Okla. During all of his adult years he was a member of the church, identifying himself with the Methodist Episcopal connection. At the time of his death he was chairman of the steward board of Quayle M. E. church, Oklahoma City, and had also served as delegate to two general conferences.

While president of Langston university, Dr. Young became the author of two books, "Moral Education in Public Schools," published by the Oklahoma Publishing Co. in 1923, and "A Philosophy of Life," by the same firm in 1925. A park at Langston university now bears his name.

In addition to the widow, Mrs. Ardelia Young, and Mr. and Mrs. Bridgeford Young, other members of the family expected to attend the funeral will be Prof. and Mrs. S. L. Hargrove, Langston; a brother in Houston, Texas, and a sister from Chicago.

**DOCTOR  
WAS ILL  
A YEAR**

CLOVIS, New Mexico.

Dr. Isaac W. Young, twice president of Langston university in Oklahoma and former mayor of the all-Negro town of Boley, Okla., died Tuesday, June 8.

The nationally known Oklahoma educator had been here for a week seeking to recover his health. His

wife and his son, Bridgeford, were with him when the end came. The body was taken to Oklahoma City, home of Dr. Young.

OKLAHOMA CITY.—Funeral services for Dr. Isaac W. Young await the arrival of his sister from Houston and his brother from Chicago. Dr. Young had been in poor health for more than a year. He spent six weeks in the Wheatley-Provident hospital in Kansas City, Mo., this winter, returning to Oklahoma City on March 30. When his health did not improve, he went to Clovis, N.M.

Born in Louisiana  
Isaac William Young was born January 2, 1874, at Glencoe, La.,



DR. ISAAC W. YOUNG

where he attended grammar school. He attended Gilbert college from 1887 to 1891.

Dr. Young taught school for several years, then went to New Orleans university where he received his doctor of medicine degree in 1900.

He practiced medicine for 23 years and in 1923 was named president of Langston university. He served two terms, being replaced by J. W. Sanford, present president, two years ago.

Oklahoma Democratic Leader  
Dr. Young was a leading Democrat of Oklahoma, having served for 10 years as head of the state Democratic organization.

He was a member of many fraternal orders including the Masons, Knights of Pythias, Odd Fellows and Elks. He also was a member of the Chi Delta Mu fraternity, the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity and was one of the two Negro members of Pi Gamma Mu, a sociological fraternity for the study of sociological and racial relations.

Dr. Young was mayor of Boley, Okla., in 1915 and 1916.

He had written several articles on education and philosophy.

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**Dr. I. W. Young Was  
Former Democratic  
Boss Of State**

**NOTED CAREER**

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — (By Roscoe Dunjee for ANP) —

Dr. I. W. Young, sixty-three, former Mayor of Boley, twice president of Langston university and for ten years head of the Negro Democratic Central Committee, died Tuesday, June 8, in Clovis, New Mexico.

The stricken Oklahoman came to his end with his son and daughter-in-law by his bedside. He had gone to Clovis one week prior with the hope of regaining his health. He had been suffering from a nervous collapse for the past year but his death came as a surprise because of the thought of many that he was improving.

Immediately upon receipt of the news of her husband's demise, Mrs. Ardelia Young, widow, dispatched the McKay Funeral home ambulance to Clovis and the body arrived in Oklahoma City Wednesday. The funeral was held Sunday from the Quayle M. E. church, Second and Lindsay streets, Oklahoma City at 11:00 a. m. Following the services at Quayle the remains were transported overland to Langston University, where the body was buried on the campus by the side of the first president of the institution, Dr. Inman E. Page.

Dr. Young, for fifteen years the stormy petrel of Oklahoma politics, was named president of Langston university in 1923, by Jack Walton the then governor.



Dr. John M. Marquess, who died recently in Philadelphia, was the then president of the institution, and Walton threatened to call out the militia in making the replacement. Dr. Young remained at the head of the institution until 1926, when following the impeachment of Jack Walton, Young was replaced by Dr. Z. T. Hubert.

With the election of Governor William H. (Alfalfa Bill) Murray, Dr. Young was again placed in charge of the institution where he remained until the election of Governor E. W. Marland, when the board of regent selected J. W. Sanford, who at that time was principal of the schools at Ardmore. Dr. Young operated a drug store in Oklahoma City until the time of the obvious development of his fatal illness.

It was while president of Langston university that he conceived the idea of organizing the Negro Democratic Central Committee, which received immediate recognition from Ed Semens then the head of the Democratic State Central Committee. With this organization, Young was able to wean more Negroes away from the Republican party than had before accomplished in the history of Oklahoma.

For fifteen years, styled as the "Little Napoleon", Young ruled the Negro democrats of the state with an autocratic power. His organization was seemingly impregnable, and he emerged from many battles unscared and fighting on. It was only when the Marland machine got into action three years ago that O. B. Jefferson, now deceased, seized the working machinery of the Negro Democratic Central Committee.

A pleasing speaker and a man of rich experience, Dr. Young immediately upon his arrival in Oklahoma became active in all of the civic work of the state. He was a Mason, Odd Fellow, Knight of Pythias, Elk and in later years a member of the Kappa Alpha Psi and Chi Delta Mu Fraternities.

Dr. Isaac W. Young was born in Glencoe, La., January 2, 1874. He graduated in medicine at New Orleans university.

It was in 1900 when he moved with his wife to Oklahoma. During all of his adult years he was a member of the church, identifying himself with the M. E. connection. At the time of his death, he was chairman of the Stewards Board, Quayle M. E. church, Oklahoma City, and had

also served as delegate to two general conferences.

While president of Langston university, Dr. Young became the author of two books. "Moral Education in Public Schools", was published by the Oklahoma Publishing Company in 1923, and "A Philosophy of Life", by the same firm in 1925.

A park at Langston University now bears his name.

# PIONEER OKLAHOMA EDITOR DIES IN TULSA HOSPITAL; WAS VICTIM OF RACE RIOT IN 1921

Man Who Helped To Make Topeka Plaindealer  
Famous Was Former Editor of Victoria Guide

Edited Tulsa Eagle For Sixteen Years

TULSA, Okla., July 5.—Theodore Baughman, pioneer Oklahoma newspaper man, and until recently, the editor of the Tulsa Eagle, died in Municipal Hospital No. 2 Friday at 4:20 a. m. The funeral was held Monday from Wesley C. M. E. church, and the remains buried at Crown Hill cemetery.

The stricken scribe, who for many years was editor of the "Victoria Guide," Victoria, Texas, was noted in his early manhood as a vigorous fighter for the rights of his people and was forced to suspend publication of the "Guide" because of sentiment in that section of Texas against attacks upon prejudice such as were made by Baughman.

Following his thrilling experiences in Texas, the deceased entered the employ of Nick Chiles, famous editor of the Topeka Plaindealer, as circulation manager. He traveled all over the Southwest territory placing the Plaindealer in thousands of homes.

In 1918 Editor Baughman went to Tulsa and started working for Andrew J. Smitherman, then editor of the Tulsa Star. The riots of 1921 in that city again stranded Editor Baughman, Smitherman having to flee the state because of charges emanating from the riot and Smitherman's alleged connection with the difficulty.

It was then that the Oklahoma Eagle was born. For 16 years the publication under his management has served Tulsa. He owned his plant on North Greenwood, where though afflicted with a serious rupture he continued to fight the battles of his race.

Taken sick June 28, Editor Baughman was rushed to the Municipal Hospital, where he gradually began to sink, with his wife and daughter by his side.

Half interest in the Eagle was sold recently to C. M. Roberts and O. B. Graham, veteran Tulsa newspaper man, becoming managing editor. The publication is an 8-page, 7-column journal issued weekly.

Rev. N. W. White, pastor of Wesley Chapel, preached the fu-

neral oration. The funeral was packed with friends and admirers of the distinguished Oklahoman. Flowers were banked high on the casket, and the pall bearers were Jack Bloodworth, J. Tyler Smith, C. J. Alexander, Morris H. Neeley, J. T. Braxton, Thomas R. Gentry. Editor Baughman was born at Wharton, Texas, where he went to school and received his first baptism in ink in a country print shop owned by a white publisher in that city. Like most members of the craft he followed his calling to the end. He leaves a wife, Mrs. R. C. Baughman, matron, University of Women's dormitory, Langston university; and a daughter, Eunice, resident of Tulsa.



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# HOLD FUNERAL SERVICES FOR BISHOP HEARD

Scores Of Dignitaries Pay Last Respects To Oldest A.M.E. Head

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 17. — (Special) — High dignitaries of the African Methodist Episcopal church, together with general officers, presiding elders and ministers from all sections of the country, paid last respects to the Rt. Rev. William Henry Heard, presiding prelate of the First Episcopal district, Thursday when funeral services were held at Mother Bethel A. M. E. church.

Bishop Heard died at the Hahnemann hospital Sunday morning. He was stricken Thursday night at his home, 438 North Fifty-third street, and immediately rushed to the hospital where his condition grew worse.

In keeping with his wishes, the rites were simple. Bishop J. S. Flipper, senior prelate of the church officiated. The esteem in which the aged bishop was held by his thousands of friends, was evidenced by the hundreds of floral offerings, telegrams and letters of condolences received by the family.

**Thousands View Body**  
Because the church could not amply hold the thousands who wished to attend the services, the body lay in state at the church Wednesday evening for three hours. It was then removed to the home.

Bishop Heard had been in failing health for many years, yet he chose to carry on his work. At the bishop's council held in Philadelphia, he was relieved of active duty as prelate of the First Episcopal district. In his stead Bishop David H. Sims of the Ninth district was assigned to active supervision.

The death of Bishop Heard is the second to occur since the last session of the general conference, which met in New York, May, 1936. Bishop W. Decker Johnson, presiding over the Seventh district, died June 17, 1936.

Two Vacancies Now  
With the passing of the two pre-

lates, there are now two vacancies, which will be filled at the general conference in 1940.

Bishop Heard gained international publicity recently when he was refused accommodations in an Edinburgh hotel when he went abroad to attend the World Conference on Faith.

When Sir John Simon, British exchequer heard of the insult to Bishop Heard, who was the oldest prelate in the African Methodist church, he offered an apology on behalf of the English government.

During his last years, Bishop Heard was a storm center in his district.

He had a number of clashes with the pastor and members of Bethel church, New York City, and at the last general conference, an attempt was made by certain factions to have him unseated, because of an alleged misuse of funds at Wilberforce university.

Bishop Heard was born in Elbert county, Ga., June 25, 1850. He was the son of George W. and Parthenia Jones Heard. He received his education at South Carolina, Clark, and Atlanta universities and the Reformed Episcopal Divinity school, Philadelphia.

**Was Minister to Africa**  
Bishop Heard was ordained in 1879 and was elected bishop in 1908. In the class with him were Bishops J. S. Flipper, E. W. Lampson, and H. B. Parks. The latter two are deceased.

Bishop Heard took an active part in politics and became a member of the South Carolina state legislature in 1876. He was later appointed minister resident and consul-general to Liberia. This post he served from 1895 to 1899.

Having spent a number of years in Africa, Bishop Heard made a special study of the people and customs and wrote many books on African folklore. "The Bright Side of African Life" has been widely read.

Surviving are his nieces, Altha Caldwell, Amanda Caldwell, Lottie and Mattie Hurd, and Sara Britchett; nephews, Prof. B. H. Hurd, of Wilberforce, and McNeill Robinson.

## Prelate Dies



BISHOP W. H. HEARD

Oldest prelate of the African Methodist Episcopal church, who was buried Thursday in Philadelphia. He died Sunday morning after suffering a stroke on Thursday. Bishop Heard presided over the first episcopal district, but because of failing health did not have active supervision. Recently he was refused accommodations in an Edinburgh hotel while abroad to attend the world conference on faith. England offered an apology for the insult.

**BISHOP W. H. HEARD, CLERGYMAN 67 YEARS**

**Headed First District of African Methodist Episcopal Church — Dies in Philadelphia**

Bishop William H. Heard of the African Methodist Episcopal Church died early yesterday morning in the Hahnemann Hospital in Philadelphia, according to word received here. He was 87 years old.

Returning to this country Aug. 23 after attending the World Faith and Order Conference in Edinburgh, Scotland, Bishop Heard was apparently in good health. He became ill last Thursday and was removed to the hospital the following day.

While attending the Edinburgh Conference, Bishop Heard experienced difficulty in obtaining hotel accommodations. Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, nu-

licly apologized for the inconvenience caused the visitor. Dr. Temple, Archbishop of York, offered the Negro prelate the hospitality of his home.

Born in Wilberforce, Ga., Bishop Heard was ordained a minister sixty-seven years ago. During reconstruction after the Civil War, he served a term in the South Carolina Legislature. In 1885 President Cleveland appointed him Minister to Liberia, where he served until 1889. His denomination made him a Bishop in 1908 and assigned him to West Africa over which district he presided until 1912. At the time of his death he was Bishop of the First Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. This district includes New York, New England, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware.

Surviving is a niece, Miss Valeria Caldwell of Philadelphia.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday at noon in the Mother Bethel Church, Philadelphia, with the Right Rev. J. S. Flipper, senior Bishop, officiating.

## Weekly Poem

IN MEMORY OF THE LATE BISHOP WILLIAM H. HEARD

A soldier has fallen in battle,  
Come! mark the place where he lay;  
For few have fought more bravely,  
Than he who died today.  
And as the Angels bear him  
Tenderly, for he's old and marred;  
They shout! make way for a soldier,  
Much worn and battle scarred.

But Lo! I see some one coming,  
Coming to lend a hand;  
And He asks the Angels, who is it?  
And they answer—Lord a man.

One who has fought and fallen,  
But one who has ever tired;  
To hold up the blood-stained banner  
And stay on the Lord's side.

Then I see my Saviour bid welcome,  
And touch that mortal of clay:  
As He says to him-wearied soldier  
You'll dwell with me this day.

And Oh! such a happy reunion,  
Of others who have gone before;  
There's Allen, Turner, Grant, Payne  
and Parks

All, waiting at the door,  
Together they tell the Master,

A story of long ago;  
How African Methodism started  
And still is on the go.

And as our Saviour listens,  
As they tell of their toils and strife;  
Says He—What of hardships and  
crosses?

When afterwards—Eternal Life.

So weep not for him who has fallen,  
But prayerfully forge ahead;  
Our Bishop is with the Master  
And not among the dead.

—ALMA A. POLK

Pittsburg, Pa.  
**THE FUNERAL SERVICES OF THE LATE BISHOP WILLIAM HENRY HEARD**

Were Held in Mother Bethel Church Philadelphia, Thursday, Sept. 16th. at noon.

Long before the hour set for the services the galleries were filled with those who had come very early in order to get seats. The lower portion of the auditorium was reserved for the family, visiting ministers, Missionary ladies and the First Episcopal District in which he had belonged for many years as pastor and for over 13 years had been Presiding Bishop. The night before a continuous stream of friends and admirers passed by the bier in the church and viewed the mortal remains of one who had served humanity so well and so long.

The funeral procession entered the church led by the Bishops and General Officers of the A. M. E. Church with Bishop John A. Gregg of the Fourth Episcopal District reading the Scripture sentences of the burial ceremony. After all had been seated Bishop D. H. Sims of the First and Ninth Episcopal Districts who presided took charge of the obsequies.

The Program was carried out in the following manner:

Funeral March— (Chopin) .....  
Mrs. Cleo Andrews  
Hymn—No. 486 .... Bishop S. L. Greene  
Prayer ..... Dr. D. Ormonde Walker



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Interment..... Marion Cemetery

The spotlight of attention was focused on the masterly sermon delivered eloquently and with a sympathetic feeling by Bishop Fountain who selected his text from the book of Judges, the 19th chapter and the 1st clause of the 16th verse, "And, behold there came an old man from his work out of the field at even."

In his euology, the Bishop, likened Bishop Heard passing at the ripe old age of 87 years, as "an old man from his work out of the field at even" old age is the result of a well spent going home. He said the 'reward of youth, for to know how to grow old is the masterpiece of living, stating further, that it is a great blessing to be buried at a great age, referring to old Patriarch and then quoting from Beecher, "Death is but the dropping of the flower that the fruit might bloom."

Depicting the world as a field of activity and the death of an old man as one who comes out of it, Bishop Fountain said Bishop Heard had fought the good fight and finished his course. He referred to an often repeated phrase of the deceased, who would quote the scripture verse, "O taste his sermon," said he; no environment can hold a man down; but that a man is master of the environ-

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Bishops W. A. Fountain, John A. Gregg, Robert A. Grant, Sherman L. Greene, Monroe H. Davis, David H. Sims, Henry Y. Tookes and E. J. Howard were present. In attendance also were the following General Officers: Drs. George E. Curry, Leondias L. Berry, Profs. J. R. Hawkins, A. S. Jackson, E. A. Selby, Drs. J. G. Robinson, S. S. Morris, C. W. Abington and D. Ormonde Walker, President of Wilberforce University.

Among the ministers noted were Presiding Elders, J. T. Bond, J. R. Nelson, and J. M. Boston of the Baltimore Conference, Reverends C. C. Ferguson, J. C. Beckett, H. E. Walden, D. E. Rice, E. H. Beard, W. H. Manoko, W. H. Baker, John Hamon S. R. Drummand, J. H. Hodges, W. N. Brown, J. L. Link, A. H. Hart, A. C. Clark, D. M. Owens, P. A. Cebner Hodson Waters, M. W. Thornton, H. H. Cooper, Sr., R. O. Napper, H. Y. Arnett, W. R. Gullins, Jr., W. J. Townsend, W. W. Jacobs, C. H. Fountain, W. S. Drummond, C. D. Dixon, S. T. Cooper, J. W. Caulk, E. L. Kinzer, J. R. Fortune, E. D. Ford, E. S. Dennis, I. H. Ivey, J. H. Queen, J. C. Spivey, E. D. Brown, J. F. Vanderhorst, R. B. Smith, S. H. Barker, W. A. Dorsey D. J. Brown, J. L. Russ, W. H. King, H. H. Thomas, A. C. Sanders, M. M. Ward, Sol. Hill, R. M. Smith, C. W. Walton, J. A. Manning, A. L. Wilson, D. Ward Nichols, H. P. Ander-

son, M. E. Jackson, S. H. Barton, E. Tyler, G. W. Maybanks, S. H. Gumbs, J. A. Portlock, A. S. Johnson, I. S. Jacobs, J. M. Stepteau, J. R. Campbell, E. L. Blake, Robert Gross, W. K. Hopes, Drake and nearly every minister of the First Episcopal District

The active Pall Bearers were Rcv's I. N. Patterson, E. E. Tyler, D. Ward Nichols, S. H. Barker, W. H. Owens, E. L. Blake

Honorary Pall Bearers were archdeacon Henry L. Phillips, Rev. Marshall Shepherd, Atty. G. Edward Dickerson, Dr. L. Ruffin Nichols, Dr. N. F. Mossell, M. D., Dr. Oscar J. Cooper, M. D., Major R. R. Wright, Sr., Atty. Raymond Pace Alexander, Atty. E. Washington Rhodes, Atty. Lewis Tanner Moore, Magistrate Edward Henry, Dr. Solomon Porter Hood, and representing the Second Episcopal District, Dr. Charles Wesley; the Third District, Dr. J. O. Haithcock; the Fourth District, Dr. R. E. Wilson, the Fifth District, Dr. F. F. Moten; the Sixth District, Dr. I. G. Glass; the Seventh District, Dr. T. J. Miles; the Eighth District, Dr. S. P. Felder; the Ninth District, Dr. J. R. Burghes; the Tenth District, Dr. J. B. Butler; the Eleventh District, Dr. A. I. G. Richardson; the Twelfth District, Dr. V. M. Townsend; the Thirteenth District, Dr. J. W. Hall; the Fourteenth District, Dr. H. M. Steady; the Fifteenth District, Dr. J. Y. Tansi.

The Guards of Honor were Reverends M. M. Lewis, E. D. Newsome, H. F. Tyree, H. S. Van Buren, M. M. Ward, E. K. Nichols, S. W. Stanford, J. L. Brown, A. N. Clark, J. S. Mims, S. T. Boyd, W. L. Johnson, B. W. Durant, A. H. Hart, H. H. Thomas, H. T. Pembleton, C. W. Reid.

—J. Winsmore Mason.



# P. R. R. Labor Agent Dies Following Lengthy Illness

**Baptist Clergyman, One Time Mayoralty Candidate, Civic Figure Here** **DEATH ENDS COLORFUL CAREER**

Rev. James Henry Duckrey, 2403 Oxford street, prominent in civic and religious affairs of the city, died Sunday at Presbyterian Hospital after a short illness. He was 74.

His death was due to heart failure and complications. At one time during his illness he was in an oxygen tent.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Nancy Woodland Duckrey, four sons and one daughter.

Two of the sons are principals in the school system of Philadelphia. *11-37*

They are Tanner, principal at the Dunbar School, 12th and Columbia avenue, and James, principal at the Harrison School, 11th and Thompson streets. William teaches at the Singerly School, 22nd and Berks streets, and Vernon, a graduate of Cheyney State Teachers College, is employed in the County Relief Board setup.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon (Thursday) at the First African Baptist Church, 16th and Christian streets. Rev. W. A. Trotter, pastor, will officiate. The services will be at 1 o'clock.

A committee from the Baptist Ministers Conference, of which Rev. Duckrey was a member, will be present. It will be headed by Dr. Leonard C. Carr, president of the conference, and will include Revs. C. W. Gregory, R. H. Hughes, R. H. Bailey and W. H. Brooks.

Rev. Duckrey was a graduate of Lincoln University and Lincoln Theological Seminary. He studied law at Boston College.

He pastored churches in Boston and Philadelphia but for many years had acted as a labor agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad, which post he had since shortly after the World War, when he was instrumental in bringing negro workers from the South to fill the industrial needs of the North. He



REV. JAMES H. DUCKREY

was to be retired next month.

Rev. Duckrey was born in Summit Bridge, Del. He was pastor of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Cambridge, Mass., and the Ebenezer Baptist Church, in Boston. He founded the Massachusetts Industrial Settlement.

In Philadelphia he headed the Provident Baptist Church in West Philadelphia and the Columbia Avenue Baptist Church, 21st and Columbia avenue.

In 1923, as a protest against the slight attention given Negro citizens of Philadelphia, he ran for the office of Mayor of the city.

## Isaac Watson, Westinghouse Butler, Dies at Age of 90

**Served Family of Famous Inventor For 31 Years; Once Carried Million Dollars In His Pocket**

HARRISBURG, Pa.

—Isaac Watson, 90, butler to the late George Westinghouse, famed inventor and electrical wizard, died Tuesday at his home in Homewood after suffering a heart attack.

There had been many important calls in the lifetime of the veteran butler. One was when Mr. Westinghouse called upon him to carry a million dollars worth of securities from a bank in East Pittsburgh to a bank downtown.

Another was when he supervised the work of 29 waiters who served 32 guests at a dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Westinghouse in honor of a Russian prince. Still another, was a dinner for Prince Albert, later king of Belgium.

On one occasion, Mrs. Westinghouse entrusted Watson with the task of presiding over a private railroad car that was taking a group of important Pittsburgh citizens to Washington for a big reception that Mrs. Westinghouse was giving there. Once she gave the grizzled butler a tiny package and warned him that it contained a \$10,000 wedding gift and told him to deliver it to a bride-to-be in Sewickley Heights.

Frequently during an important dinner in the Mansion, the great inventor Westinghouse would give a secret signal to Watson. The butler knew what it meant. He would bring a pencil and pad of paper and Mr. Westinghouse would make a rough sketch of a new invention while his guests chattered.

Watson was born in slavery on a Kentucky plantation. He came to Pittsburgh in 1864 and served the Westinghouse family for 31 years.



Columbia, S. C. State  
May 11, 1937

## W. W. WILKINS DIES

Member of State College  
Faculty at Orangeburg.

Orangeburg, May 10.—W. W. Wilkins, a leader in the civic and educational affairs among Negroes of the state, died Sunday at his home in Orangeburg after a brief illness. Professor Wilkins was a member of the State college faculty as itinerant teacher of trades. He had the supervision and direction of vocational training in Negro high schools throughout the state. He was vice president and a member of the executive committee of the Palmetto State Teachers' association and rendered valuable services as a member of the Negro state tuberculosis committee.

Funeral services will be held at the Trinity M. E. church in Orangeburg at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning with the interment at Jonesville, Union

Orangeburg, S. C., Times & Demo  
May 25, 1937

## Dr. Henry D. Rowe Funeral Tomorrow

Dr. Henry D. Rowe, negro, one of the oldest physicians in this city, died suddenly at his residence on Treadwell Street Sunday afternoon at 2.30.

Dr. Rowe was educated at Allen and Claflin colleges and received his professional degree from Shaw University in Raleigh, N. C. His practice extended through the greater part of the county of Orangeburg where he was highly respected and loved by all. As a sideline he ran a most successful farm.

Dr. Rowe was a most useful citizen and always interested himself in the civic welfare of the community. For many years he taught the Young Men's Class of Williams Chapel Sunday School. His body will lie in state in Williams Chapel A. M. E. church on Wednesday morning until 2 p. m., at which time the funeral services will be conducted.

## r. L. L. Baskervill Dies After Short Illness in South

Archdeacon of South Carolina,  
Noted Prelate  
Buried in Arlington

CHARLESTON, S. C.—The Venerable Erasmus L. Baskervill archdeacon for colored work of the Diocese of South Carolina and rector of Calvary Protestant Episcopal Church and associate missions died Saturday afternoon after a short illness at his residence, 54 Bogard Street. He was sixty-six years old.

The funeral rites were conducted by the Right Rev. Albert A. Thomas, bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina, Monday afternoon. Burial was held in Arlington National cemetery.

Surviving are his widow, five sons, a daughter and a brother. They are Cato L. Baskervill, a chemist in New York; Robert A., editor of the Oracle, publication of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; Samuel F., Rev. Lewis A. and William S. Baskervill, and Miss Mable H. Baskervill, a student at Howard University. His widow, Mrs. Mary E. Baskervill, and a brother, Samuel Baskervill, also survive.

### Entered Army

A native of Clarksville, Va., Archdeacon Baskervill, upon his graduation from Boynton Institute, entered the army. He served nine years. He was honorably discharged in 1903 as first sergeant, having served in the campaigns of the Philippine insurrection with Company H, Twenty-fifth infantry.

He entered the Bishop Payne Divinity School, from which he was graduated with the B. D. degree. He was ordained deacon and priest in 1908 by Bishop Burton, of Lexington, Ky., and served as rector of St. Andrew's Church, Lexington, Ky., from 1908 to 1913. He accepted a call to the Diocese of South Carolina in 1913 to serve Calvary Church and associate missions.

In 1914, he was appointed archdeacon by the late Bishop William Alexander Guerry.

Archdeacon Baskervill was known widely in the Episcopal church. He numbered among his friends many of the leaders of the church, both clerical and lay. The presiding bishop of the church, on his recent visit to Charleston, referred to the archdeacon as "a remarkable man."

As archdeacon he had charge of nearly all of the Negro work in his Episcopal diocese, including, besides the churches, five parochial schools and much organized social work. His last public act was to present his son, the Rev. L. A. Baskervill, for ordination to the priesthood in Calvary Church on May 21.

## Minister, Head of Orphanage, Dies in S. C.

The Rev. D. Jenkins  
Founded Home 45  
Years Ago.

BANDS KNOWN  
THROUGHOUT U.S.

Idea and \$1.50 Started  
Project.

CHARLESTON, S. C.—The Rev. D. J. Jenkins, who gave a home and an opportunity to more than 5,000 boys and girls in the orphanage he founded more than forty-five years ago, died Saturday at 74.

At 21 the Rev. Mr. Jenkins came to Charleston with \$1.50 in his pocket. After he had established his own home he found four small boys huddled in a box car in the winter and took them home.

### Foundation of Orphanage

This was the foundation for his orphanage that is now known throughout the world. The orphanage has two farms in addition to its city dormitory, publishes a newspaper, teaches boys carpentry, automobile mechanics, chair making and other trades. Girls are instructed in house work.

The orphanage is famous for its boy bands that have toured the United States many times. At present, seventy children, in two bands and a group of singers are now in the East. One group is at Boston and the other in New York.

### Played Before Queen Mary

Bands from the Jenkins Orphanage have crossed the ocean three times. They played in Paris and London and the last time in 1934, appeared at the Anglo-American Exposition where Queen Mary attended.

One of the bands played in the inaugural parade for President Taft and also at the St. Louis Exposition. Pleas for funds to maintain the orphans were rewarded by contributions from prominent persons of both races throughout the country.

### "THE ORPHANAGE MAN."

The Rev. D. J. Jenkins, known as "The Orphanage Man" died last week at the ripe age of 74. When he died, the State lost one of its useful citizens. The worth and work of no man who successfully devoted his life to the uplift of the poor and needy can be lightly passed over, and that is what the Reverend Jenkins did. Within the past 45 years, he housed and trained 5,000 little boys and girls who had no homes and no parents to guide and care for them. Many of those boys and girls became useful and upright citizens. With no money but with an unconquerable zeal for the saving of those who had no chance, the Reverend Jenkins succeeded in establishing and maintaining an institution that should not be allowed to languish. It has more than justified its existence. But even should it pass away, the memory of Rev. Jenkins will ever be green, for he will still be in the lives of those he has touched. A real man has passed away.

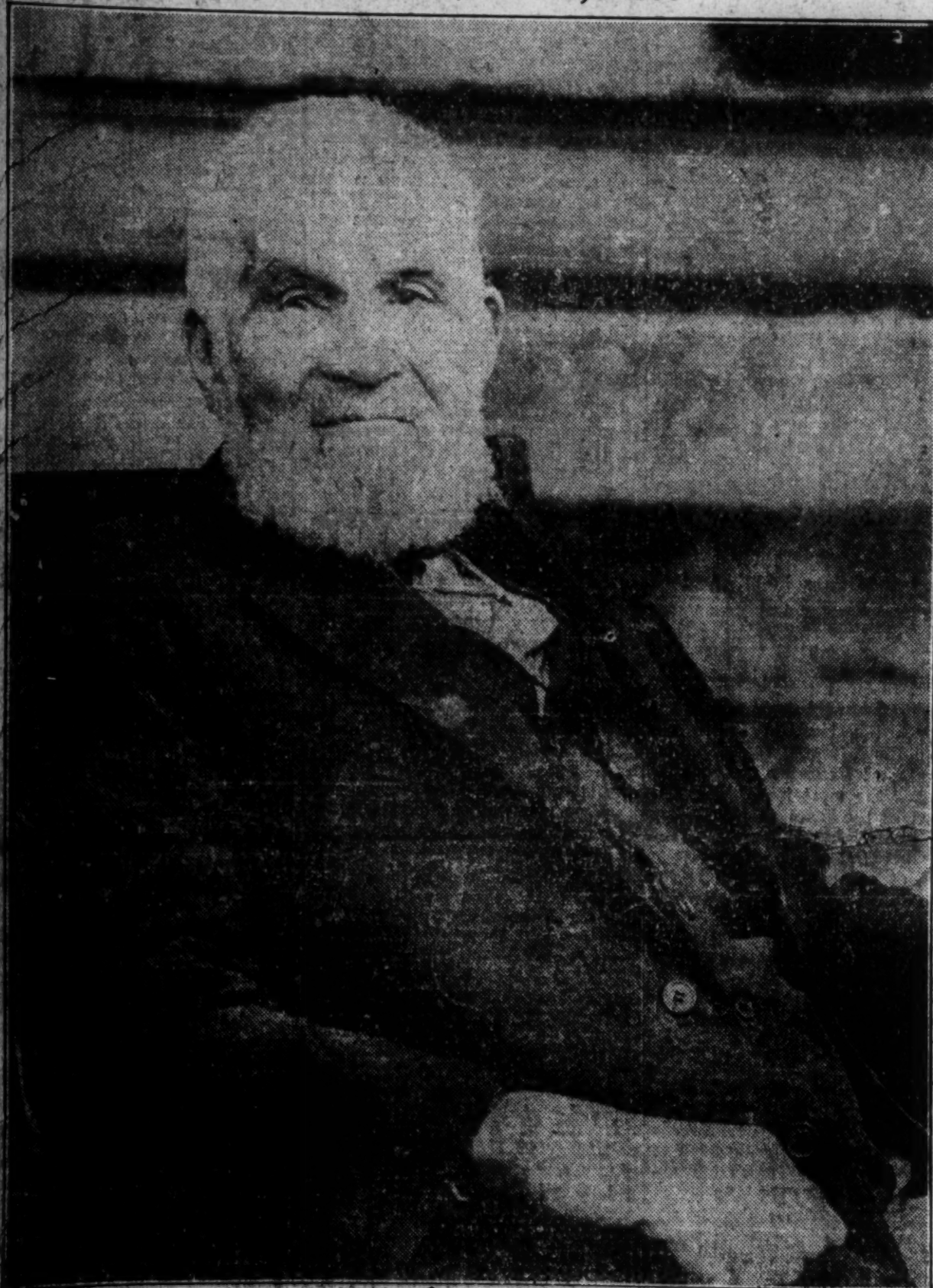
## Publisher Who Defended Race Dies In S. C.

COLUMBIA, S. C.—(ANP)—Capt. William Elliott Gonzales, editor and publisher of "The State" local morning newspaper, died Wednesday of last week at the age of 71.

Son of an exiled Cuban revolutionary, Capt. Gonzales began writing editorials when "The State" was founded in 1891 with a brother as part owner. He once bitterly attacked a mob which had lynched a Negro and was promptly hanged in effigy by enraged readers. His own life threatened. Capt. Gonzales later rose to a high rank in both military and diplomatic service, meanwhile managing to maintain a liberal editorial attitude in his paper after assuming the editorship when his brother died.



Bishop Isaac Lane, Famous Churchman, Dies



JACKSON, Tenn.—(ANP)—The inexorable hand of death last Sunday felled one of America's most distinguished church leaders and educators and brought to an end the memorable career of Bishop Isaac Lane, 103 years old, who rose from the humble status of slave to a Bishopric of the C. M. E. church and to lasting fame as the founder of Lane College, Jackson, Tenn.

Born on a plantation near Jackson in 1834, the great churchman at an early age became determined to gain an education, and first learned the sound of words while his master's children were being instructed in the elementary subjects of the classroom. At the age of 18, he was able to read and write.

He was ordained a deacon in the Methodist Episcopal church in 1866, then began his long ministry of service to his people. He was elected and ordained a Bishop of the Colored Methodist Episcopal church in recognition of his leadership in establishing a Negro branch of Methodism. Bishop Lane founded the college which bears his name in 1881 and continued in active charge of its educational program until failing health caused him to shift the responsibility to younger shoulders. The Bishop's son, Dr. James F. Lane, then assumed the presidency of Lane college.

The great churchman and educator was honored by the college faculty and the entire city of Jackson on his 100th birthday. His name was synonymous with Jackson, Tenn., as he lived to achieve world fame, but died within a few miles of his humble birthplace. Few men in America can equal his matchless record of service to his fellow man, to his church and his nation.

Bishop Isaac Lane Dies Of Stroke; 103 Years Old

JACKSON, Tenn.—Bishop Isaac Lane, retired senior bishop of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, died at the home of his son here Sunday, December 5, at the ripe old age of 103 years. He was not only the oldest minister of his denomination but also the oldest of any denomination in the United States. His death closed a notable career.

He served his church for over half a century and was founder and first president of Lane College here, which is now headed by his son. Lane College is the leading center of higher learning for the C. M. E. denomination.

His funeral was one of the largest ever held in this state and messages of condolence came from many notables from all parts of the country.

Rev. Isaac Lane, Oldest Bishop, Dies at Age 103

JACKSON, Tenn.—The Rt. Rev. Isaac Lane, founder of Lane College and oldest Methodist Episcopal Bishop in the world, who had been in the ministry for seventy-one years, died at the age of 103, Sunday, following a ten-day stroke.

Bishop Lane, who was born a slave in 1834, on the plantation of Cullen Lane, a Madison, Tenn., County planter, rose from his humble status to the Bishopric of the C.M.E. Church.

Despite his lack of opportunity, he learned to read and write at the age of 18 by listening while his master's children were being instructed. He became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at the age of 20 and was ordained a deacon at the annual conference in 1866.

Consecrated in 1873

In 1873, he was sent as Tennessee's delegate to the general conference in Augusta, Ga., where he was consecrated to the office of Bishop.

He later established missions in Cleveland, St. Paul, Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Topeka, Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Champaign, Ill., East St. Louis, and in other places which now have property valued at \$500,000.

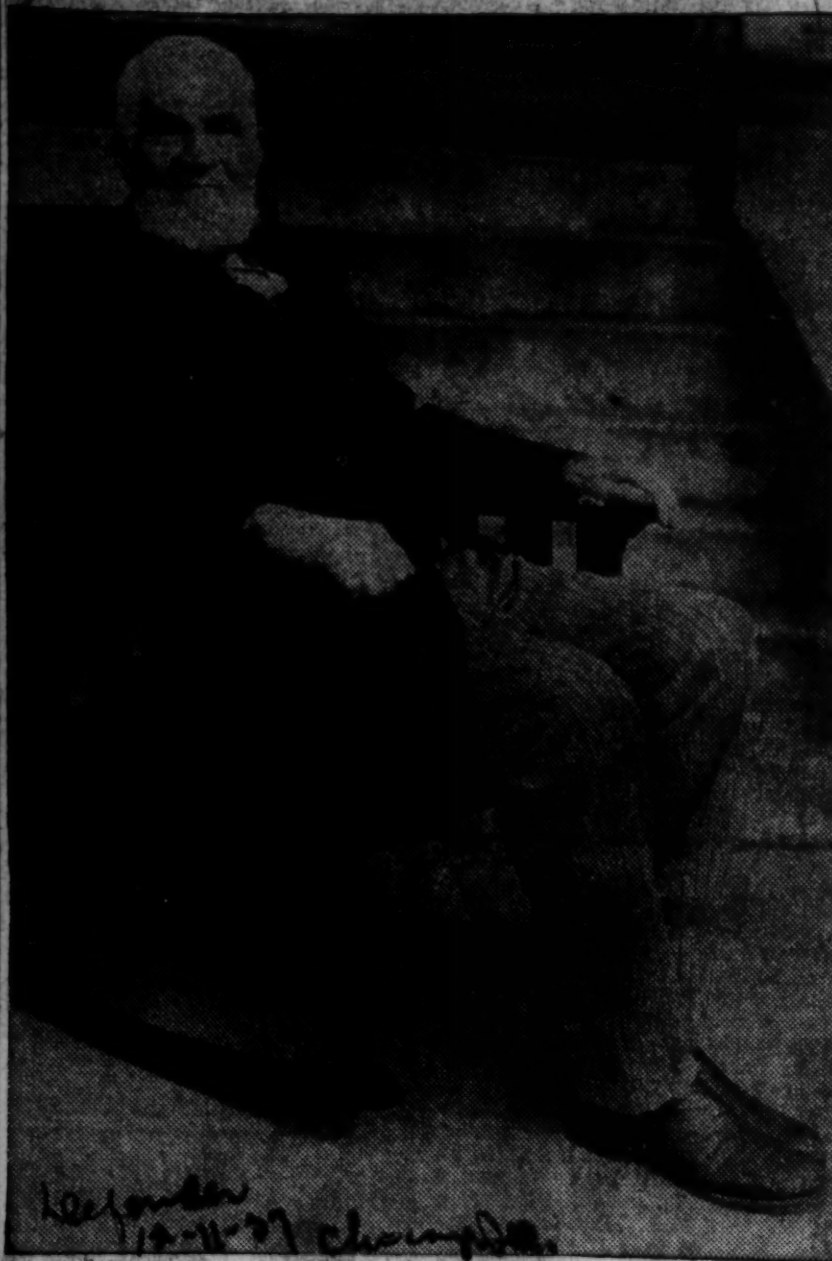
Through his efforts, in 1882, Lane College was established here.

Three years ago, his one-hundredth birthday was celebrated here with a program in which the mayor and other leading white citizens paid tribute to the aged leader.

Three children of a family of eleven survive. A son, Dr. J. F. Lane, is president of Lane College, an office from which his father retired twenty-four years ago. A daughter, Mrs. Ida Burrows, and another son, J. W. Lane, also live here.



# OLDEST BISHOP IS DEAD



BISHOP ISAAC LANE

Founder of Lane college, Jackson, Tenn., and many other religious and educational institutions in the C.M.E. church, Bishop Isaac Lane, age 103, passed away Sunday at his home in Jackson. He was regarded as the oldest bishop in the world. He taught himself to read and write in slavery and was one of the original founders of the Colored Methodist Episcopal church.

## BISHOP ISAAC LANE DIES AT AGE OF 103

Commencement Appeal

### Founder Of Negro College Was Oldest In Church

**NEGRO BISHOP, 103, DEAD.**  
JACKSON, Tenn., Dec. 5.—(AP) The Rev. Isaac Lane, oldest bishop of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church South and founder of Lane College for members of his race, died today following a paralytic stroke. He was 103 years old. A native of this section, Bishop Lane was born of slave parents, and learned to read and write at an early age.

JACKSON, Tenn., Dec. 5.—(AP) —Rev. Isaac Lane, oldest bishop of the Colored Methodist church, and founder of Lane College for members of his race, died today following a paralytic stroke. He was 103 years old. A native of this section, Bishop Lane was born of slave parents and learned to read and write at an early age. He was ordained a minister by the Methodist Church at Jackson in 1866 and took part in the establishment of the negro branch of the denomination. He had been a bishop

since 1876.

Bishop Lane founded the college which bears his name here in 1880 and spent much of his time immediately thereafter in soliciting funds for the institution.

He retired from active duties as a bishop in 1914.

Survivors include two sons, J. F. Lane, president of the college, and J. W. Lane, also of Jackson.

## PIONEER IN CHURCH WORK DIES AT 103

12-11-37  
Founder Of Lane College,  
C.M.E. Church, Passes  
Away In Tennessee

JACKSON, Tenn., Dec. 10 —The oldest bishop in the world died at his home here last Sunday.

He was Bishop Isaac Lane, 103 years old, who led a movement in religious circles when the Methodist Episcopal North, and the Methodist Episcopal church South divided over the question of slavery, which culminated in the creation of the Colored Methodist Episcopal church in America. He was active for his age almost up to the time of his death.

He was born March 3, 1834 on the plantation of Cullen Lane which was situated about four miles north of Jackson in Madison county. His mother, Rachel Lane, was one of the thirty slaves housed on the huge estate. He had resided within a few miles of his birthplace during his entire lifetime.

### Married Twice

Bishop Lane married twice. His first wife was Francis Ann Boyce of Madison county, Tenn., whom he married when 19 years old, and his second wife was Mary E. Smith of Marshall, Texas, whom he wedded in 1895. Eleven children were born of these unions, four now survive him. One of his sons, Dr. James Franklin Lane is president of Lane college, Jackson, which was founded by the bishop. The other three children are: Josh W. Lane, Mrs. Jennie Cleaves, and Mrs. Ida L. Burrus.

When Bishop Lane became a centenarian, members of both races paid homage to him in a celebration at Lane college at which the bishop was the principal speaker followed by many notables of the church, city

and state. He never lost his keen sense of humor, and his memory of the church and state are expected to be rich in legends of slavery and reconstruction periods.

"The first 40 years may be the hardest," said the bishop in starting his address, "but you certainly enjoy a lot of happiness in living through them."

### Recalls Slavery

In recalling days of slavery, Bishop Lane always spoke kindly of his master, Cullen Lane.

"On one occasion I was threatened with a beating by nightriders, but they fled to the woods when my master approached the scene. He was a very good man, but died in poverty and I bought his library in order that he might have a nice funeral."

"He never reprimanded me when he caught me with a book like the other slave-owners did during those times. On the contrary he encouraged me. I never had a teacher, but after I was declared free I established special hours each day to study and reading the Bible."

### Given Freedom

"After the Civil War and Lee's surrender, the slave owners called us all together and set us free. There I was with a large, dependent family to support, having married when 19, with no money, practically no education and no mother or father to whom to look for help. Many former owners said that half of us would starve, but we fooled them."

"My former master said he would look after me, but I went to work for myself, lived on nothing but bread, milk and water for at least six months. The next year I was able to devote more time to the work of the ministry. I took an active part in the church and soon gained the confidence and respect of both races. At our request, the present C. M. E. church was organized as an independent group, and we took the name most suited to identify our work."

### Elected Bishop

"In 1866 I began to climb high in the affairs of the church. I was ordained deacon one day, and the next day appointed presiding elder. Then at the general conference held at Trinity C. M. E. church, Augusta, Ga., in March 23, 1873 where I attended as a delegate, I was elected bishop, and assigned to preside over Texas when that country was sparsely settled."

Through his efforts, in 1882 Lane college was erected in Jackson at a value of \$1,500. It is now regarded as one of the leading educational institutions in the South.

Among the many churches established by him were Lane Tabernacle, Cleveland, organized in 1902; St. Paul, Chicago, organized 1906; Lane Chapel, St. Louis, organized 18 years ago, and others at Kansas City, Mo., Topeka, Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Champaign and East St. Louis, Ill.

According to latest reports, the body will lie in state at the college chapel and funeral services will be



# SERVICES FOR FORMER SLAVE IN TENNESSEE

## Nation Mourns Passing Of Lane Founder; Minister 81 Years

JACKSON, Tenn., Dec. 17—Wednesday afternoon Dec. 8, a former slave boy who later rose to a leadership of national and international proportions was given signal honors—such honors as are rarely given to anyone who has been born, reared, and brought up under such adverse circumstances. Several thousand people gathered from all sections of the country to give homage and tribute to the life and labors of the venerable prelate of the Colored Methodist Episcopal church, the late Right Reverend Bishop Isaac Lane, retired bishop of the Colored Methodist Episcopal church, who died Sunday morning, Dec. 5, at 2 o'clock, after a ministerial career of 81 years—84 of which were spent as a bishop in the church. He retired in 1914 at his own request after spending 41 years in active service as a bishop.

**Both Races Pay Tribute**  
Leaders in all walks of life as well as thousands of humble citizens of both races were lavish and unanimous in the acclaim of the splendid life lived by the former slave and the noble work which he had done. Several thousand telegrams and other condolences poured into the family home following the announcement of the distinguished Negro churchman's death. They came from presidents and vice-presidents of banks, cashiers, merchants, railroad magnates, presidents of insurance companies, governors, congressmen, senators, college presidents, faculties and student bodies, several bishops of all Methodist bodies, and of course, several thousand from the clergy—men, laymen, friends and the constituency of the Colored Methodist Episcopal church of which the recently departed Bishop Isaac Lane was the sole remaining charter member.

**Amplifiers Installed**  
The final rites were held in St.

Paul auditorium at one o'clock. In order to accommodate part of the huge crowd made up of both races, loud speakers were installed in the main college auditorium. The overflow crowd lined all parts of the Lane college campus, an institution established by the former slave in 1882. Today Lane ranks high in educational circles, being a standard accredited college with a student body numbering nearly 500 bonafide college students and a faculty of 25.

### Blizzard Weather

The huge crowd braved an unusually biting, blizzard-like day—the coldest weather that this section has experienced in several years, and was a testimony to the high esteem in which the noted Negro prelate was held by white and black.

Bishop J. A. Hamlett, Kansas City, Kans., himself a product of Lane college, was master of ceremonies at the final rites. In speaking briefly of Bishop Lane, the Kansas City bishop said: "It is claimed that Bishop Isaac Lane was born five miles northeast of Jackson as a slave boy 103 years, 9 months, and 2 days ago. But in point of fact Bishop Lane was born everywhere and has died nowhere."

### Dignitaries on Platform

Seated on the platform with Bishop Hamlett and taking part in the funeral exercises were: Bishops John M. Moore, senior bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, Dallas, who came as official representative of the Southern church; Randall A. Carter, Chicago, who delivered the funeral eulogy, and H. P. Porter, Jackson, of the Colored Methodist Episcopal church; Doctor R. A. Womack, president of Lambuth college; Hon. A. B. Foust, mayor of Jackson; Hon. Lawrence Taylor, life-long friend of Bishop Lane and former mayor of Jackson; Prof. G. F. Porter, financial secretary of the Colored Methodist Episcopal church; Doctors F. H. Rodgers, E. W. Walker, Jackson; and C. E. Chapman, presiding elder of Kansas district, Kansas City, Mo.

### High Tributes Paid

Not since the passing of the late Booker T. Washington, founder of Tuskegee Institute, November, 1915, has a Negro been paid such tributes as were paid Bishop Isaac Lane.

Bishop John M. Moore, senior bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, came all the way from Dallas to represent his denomination at the funeral. Bishop Moore paid the following tribute:

"It is not often that one's life stands for a century. It is less seldom that it spans the history of two churches as has the life of Bishop Isaac Lane. The history of Bishop Lane is intimately interwoven with the history of the Methodist Episcopal church,

South as well as that of the Colored Methodist Episcopal church.

"Bishop Isaac Lane never joined any church except my church, the Methodist Episcopal church, South. That is an honor and a distinction of which the Methodist Episcopal church, South, is justly proud. Bishop Lane gave a long life of glorious service—a life of marvelous events and accomplishments. His life was one of marvelous beauty, strength and nobility of character. Bishop Lane was known throughout your church, throughout my church and the world for his rugged honesty, thoroughgoing integrity and his high sense of honor. I can say of him as cannot be said of many—he was a crowning jewel, a master of all Methodism, and indeed a 'Prince in Israel.'"

### Mayor of Jackson in Tribute

Mayor A. B. Foust spoke briefly at the final rites. He said:

"A prophet is not without honor save in his own country," did not apply to Bishop Isaac Lane. The people of Jackson, of Tennessee, the South, the nation and the world, regarded and honored Bishop Lane as a great man. The two most highly regarded institutions of Jackson are Lane college and the venerable Bishop Isaac Lane, its founder. It is well known that Bishop Lane was thought of as an 'institution' here in Jackson by all Jackson."

### Life-long White Friend in Tribute

Hon. Lawrence Taylor, life-long friend of Bishop Lane paid tribute to Bishop Lane. "As a Neighbor and a Citizen," He said:

"Bishop Isaac Lane was strong in a threefold sense—he was strong in body, strong in mind and strong in character. He was also strong in his love of God. The Good Book says we are allotted 'three score years and ten,' and if by reason of strength 'four score years, but Bishop Lane lived five score, years, nine months and two days."

"The city of Jackson, Madison county and the state of Tennessee are fortunate to have had such an illustrious citizen as Bishop Isaac Lane and we all are justly proud to have claimed him as such."

"I have known Bishop Lane all of my life. He was a close friend of my father in his lifetime. He made a great impression upon me in my boyhood days with his sincerity of purpose. At the funeral of my father Bishop Lane prayer a most beautiful prayer. Finally, I say Bishop Lane has built a monument more enduring than any marble or stone. He is an inspiration for, and to, all, both white and black alike. His good life and good deeds will continue to bear fruit even when we all are forgotten."

"In his passing the city of Jack-

son has lost one of its best citizens and his place will be hard to fill. We will miss him and I'm proud of the privilege to join in this opportunity to do honor to the life and memory of this good man."

Bishop Henry P. Porter of the C. M. E. church read the obituary. He referred to Bishop Lane as the first bishop he ever saw as a young boy in Texas and said he had formed a conception as to how a bishop should be and look in the light of what Bishop Lane was and how Bishop Lane looked. Bishop Porter said:

"It was in November, 1856 that Bishop Isaac Lane, then a slave, was granted license to 'exhort' by the Methodist Episcopal church, South, of which he was then a member. This was the beginning of his long, illustrious and effective ministry of 81 years. He sought no prominence, but was ready for any service to which his God and his people called him."

"He was in the formation of the congregations and annual conferences that finally led to the organization of the C. M. E. church as a denomination, which occurred here in Jackson, Dec. 15, 1870. Isaac Lane was a member and took active part in this organizing general conference which met here in Jackson, in which Bishop George F. Pierce of the M. E. church, South, presided and was a guiding spirit."

"It was in the formation of the annual conference then known as the 'Tennessee, North Alabama and North Mississippi Annual Conference' which also met in Jackson, Tenn., that the Rev. Isaac Lane was elected and ordained to the office of a deacon one day, and on the next day was elected and ordained to the office of elder. From that annual conference he was appointed presiding elder of the Jackson district which he served four consecutive years, which was then the limit for a presiding elder tenure of one district."

Bishop Charles H. Phillips, Cleveland, Ohio, who recently became senior bishop of the C. M. E. church was unable to be present because of illness. He sent a statement which was read by Prof. C. F. Porter, financial secretary of the church. Speaking for Bishop Phillips, he said:

"A remarkable man has gone to his reward. Bishop Lane was a man of beautiful, rugged character and was the very quintessence of honesty and integrity."

Bishop Randall A. Carter, Chicago, who was programmed for the main funeral eulogy, spoke briefly of Bishop Lane as one for whom "all the trumpets sounded in honor of his coming and his welcome in heaven, Sunday, Dec. 5, just before

day as he fell asleep on earth only to awake in glory. Good night, sweet prince, good night," Bishop Carter said in closing his short eulogy.

### White College Head Speaks

Dr. R. A. Womack, president of Lambuth college, an institution of the Methodist Episcopal church South, located in Jackson, said:

"Bishop Lane's name has been linked with my knowledge of the C. M. E. church. Institutions are but the lengthened shadows of some great man. Thus it is with Lane college and the C. M. E. church. Bishop Lane possessed an unusual way of distinguishing between the permanent and the ephemeral, the enduring and the transitory. Bishop Lane set his stakes for the long ahead and always moved ahead, allowing nothing to divert his attention or traveling. Truly, Isaac Lane was one of God's noblemen."

Rev. C. E. Chapman, Kansas City Mo., referred to Bishop Lane in the following terms:

"The death of Bishop Isaac Lane undoubtedly removes one of America's first citizens. Although he was born a slave boy of humble parentage and was denied educational opportunities he dedicated himself to make available for his people the opportunities which were denied himself. Hundreds and thousands of men and women of the Negro race—some of whom are now bishops and general officers in the church—owe their rise and opportunity for an education to the vision, courage and indefatigable industry of the slave boy who later became... the... world... Christian statesman, the venerable Bishop Isaac Lane."

"Indeed Bishop Lane is a shining example of fortitude and foresight and industry. He was a trail blazer, a pioneer, a light-bearer, notwithstanding he did not have a light himself in the beginning of his life. He is one of those choice souls who despite many untoward circumstances broke through birth's invidious bars and by sheer force of character and determination forced himself to an enviable place in the Race, the church, the nation and the world. His life and achievements constitute a challenge to those of today. He has bequeathed us a rich heritage. We dare not prove ourselves unworthy."

The high esteem in which Bishop Lane was held is indicated not only by the huge crowd which came to witness the funeral rites, the thousands of condolences which poured in and the many high tributes paid by educational, religious and civic leaders of both races but by the dismissal of the Jackson public schools and of Madison county, Wednesday afternoon. Music for the funeral rites was



furnished by the Lane college choral society, directed by Mrs. Corrie V. Stephens. "I Would Not Live Always," "Fairrest Lord Jesus," "Steal Away," and "Going Home," were among the numbers sung with unusual feeling and effectiveness by the Lane college choral society.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Tull, returned missionaries from Africa, sent the following message:

"We regret greatly the loss to the world and to Methodism of this great and good man. As to you he was leader and wise friend as well as father, so to us he was an outstanding and wonderful example of what a human life may be, in spite of difficulties and hardships, if surrendered to the Master and to the ideals of service in His name. Not only Lane college, but the lives of many of your race whom he led and instructed, not only intellectually but spiritually, will stand as a great monument to him through the years."



# DR. J. K. GIFFEN DIES IN CRASH

*Cause*  
Former Knoxville College  
President Victim Of  
Injuries By Auto

2-13-37

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—Dr. James Kelly Giffen, former president of Knoxville College, died February 4 at Knoxville, the victim of an auto accident when a bus load of students from Maryville College crashed into a truck near Gettysburg, Penn.

Dr. Giffen was accompanying the students as chaperone, on an outing in the Great Smoky Mountains when the accident occurred.

At no time prior to his death was Dr. Giffen considered seriously injured except for a broken arm. Taken to Fort Sanders Hospital to have the arm set, Dr. Giffen passed away soon after coming out of the anesthetic. Attending physicians said that death was caused by the formation of a blood clot.

## Prexy For 17 Years

Dr. Giffen served as president of Knoxville College for seventeen years 1918 to 1935, when failing health made a leave of absence necessary and he went to California. Returning to Knoxville last spring he turned in his official resignation as president of Knoxville College, accepting the post of associate professor of Bible at Maryville College where he has been teaching this school year.

His body lay in state in the chapel at Knoxville College where only a few days before he had delivered a brilliant message to those students and friends who now filed past him to pay their last respects. An honor guard of students stood at attention.

Memorial services for the former president were held Sunday at Knoxville College. Representatives of the faculty, alumni, student and church paid tribute to the man.

Funeral services were held February 5 at the Maryville Presbyterian Church with the faculty of Maryville College conducting it. Burial was at St. Clairsville, Ohio, boyhood home of the deceased.

Surviving Dr. Giffen are, his wife, Mary Adele Giffen, and a son and daughter, Lowell and Helen Lorraine.

# Death Claims Prof.

Wm. J. Cansler

*Wm. J. Cansler*

Prof. William J. Cansler, widely known and highly respected educator, died at his home, 209 Deaderick Avenue, Saturday morning at 11:30 o'clock, following an illness that kept him confined to home several weeks. Funeral services were conducted from the home on Monday morning with Prof. J. L. Carey officiating.

At the time of his retirement several years ago, Prof. Cansler had taught in the local city school system for 46 years. He held the one position as principal of Maynard School for thirty years.

Clarksville, Tenn., Leaf-Chronicle  
June 2, 1937

# NEGRO LEADER DIES AT AGE 82

Nace Dixon Was Former  
Alderman—Funeral  
Director

Nace Dixon, prominent Negro funeral director here for thirty-eight years, one of the two only colored men who served on the city's board of aldermen, and leader among his race, died at 5:20 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at his home on Tenth street, at the age of eighty-two.

He had been in failing health for the past eleven years and for two years he was confined to his home.

Funeral rites will be conducted at 1:30 o'clock Friday afternoon from St. Peter's A. M. E. Church, by the pastor, the Rev. W. M. Oliver. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery, with members of the Negro Masonic Lodge taking part.

Dixon was one of Clarksville's most picturesque colored characters. He was fair in all of his business dealings and won for himself a reputation for his unusual honesty and integrity.

Born in slave time, on Decem-

ber 26, 1855, Dixon was a native of Cumberland Furnace. He was unusually delicate at the time of his birth, and was taken into

the home of his "mistress" and his health carefully guarded. He came to Clarksville when a mere lad and found his first employment in the home of the late Archer Howell. When he reached manhood he began his career as a carpenter but later turned to funeral directing which he followed for the remainder of his life.

Dixon was always active in the civic, social and religious life of his race, and often served as mediator in disputes among his people. His advice was always sought on matters of business as well as other problems, and his opinions were accepted.

Dixon became widely known throughout Clarksville in 1898 when he was elected a member of the city governing board to represent the Ninth Ward, a section in which the majority of residents were Negroes. He served in that capacity for fourteen years and he became highly respected by white and colored people alike, for his sound and honest administration. The only other Negro to hold that office here was the late John Page, who was elected several years prior to Dixon's tenure of office.

A leader in fraternal orders of his race, Dixon was a member of the Negro Masonic Lodge and for the past twelve years he served as National Grand Master of the N. A. A. I. U. Lodge, an insurance organization. He was for eight years Worshipful Master of the Masonic Lodge.

Married three times, Dixon is survived by his last wife, Nannie Buck Collins Dixon; two daughters, Lula Armstrong, Clarksville, and Jessie L. Bush of St. Louis, Mo.; one son, John Dixon of Chicago, and nine grandchildren.

Clarksville, Tenn., Star  
June 3, 1937

# NACE DIXON, NEGRO LEADER HERE, DIES

FUNERAL DIRECTOR FORMERLY SERVED AS CITY COUNCILMAN

Nace Dixon, 81, prominent Negro leader of Clarksville and last of the only two men of his race ever to serve as city councilman, died Tuesday afternoon at 5:20 o'clock at his home, 127 Tenth Street, following a long period of declining health. He had been confined to his home for the past two years.

A native of the Cumberland Furnace community, Dixon was born during slave days of the old South. Due to his delicate health at his birth, he was taken into the home of his owner and reared there.

Moving to Clarksville at an early age, Dixon sought employment here and was engaged at the home of the late Archer Howell. Entering upon a carpenter's career during his early manhood, he later became an undertaker and operated a funeral establishment until his death.

Active in the various activities of his race in the community, Dixon was elected in 1898 to the City Council from the Ninth Ward, composed mostly of Negro citizens. For 14 years he sat on the city's governing body, and reflected credit on himself and his race by his competent judgment and honest administration of public office. The late John Page was the only other Negro ever to serve as councilman here, being elected several years prior to Dixon's term.

Dixon served for eight years as worshipful master of the local Negro Masonic Lodge and was for 12 years national grand master of a national insurance organization.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock at St. Peter's A. M. E. Church by the pastor, the Rev. W. M. Oliver. Interment will be in Evergreen Cemetery with members of the

Masonic Lodge in charge.

Survivors are his wife, Nannie Buck Collins Dixon; two daughters, Lula Armstrong of Clarksville, and Jessie L. Bush of St. Louis, Mo.; a son, John Dixon of Chicago, and nine grandchildren.



# Noted Physician And Fisk Trustee Who Died Sunday Lauded For Great Service

Had Brilliant And Successful Career As Physician, Teacher And Civic Leader; Was  
75 On August 6.

Touching funeral rites were held in famed Fisk Memorial Chapel Tuesday afternoon for Dr. Ferdinand Augustus Stewart, noted physician, a trustee of the University and one of Nashville's most distinguished citizens. His death, which was a shock to the city and to friends throughout the nation occurred Sunday afternoon, August 6, two days after his 75th birthday, at his residence 215 Eighth Ave., North.

In the opinion of Andrew J. Allison, General Alumni Secretary of Fisk University a brief sentence uttered by Dr. Stewart two years ago, when the Alumni Association conferred upon the eminent physician, the Distinguished Service Award for service to his Alma Mater, fully and truly sums up Dr. Stewart's life and very appropriately might be inscribed upon the monument which will mark his last resting place.

That sentence was, "My life has been a long and eventful one and I retire from it with satisfaction and contentment."

Dr. Stewart had practiced the profession of medicine in Nashville for a period of 42 years and was highly successful not only in what he did in alleviating pain and conserving the health of his patients but in a material way. He was rated one of the wealthiest men of the race in Nashville. As a trustee of Fisk University he always took the lead in making substantial donations to the different endowment campaigns the school launched. He also gave liberally to Meharry Medical College and to other worthy causes of his city.

He was a faithful churchman and for many years held membership in First Baptist church, 8th Avenue North. Dr. W. S. Ellington who was the former pastor of the church delivered one of the eulogies on the life of Dr. Stewart at the funeral service, paying high tribute to the physician's faithfulness as a Christian.

The funeral services which began in Fisk Memorial chapel at 2:30 were attended by a large concourse of sorrowing friends. Pres. Thomas Elsa Jones was master of cere-

monies. The services began with an organ prelude by the Rev. A. Myron Cochran, followed by the invocation by Rev. Russell C. Barbour, pastor of First Baptist church. A touching jubilee number was rendered by the Fisk Jubilee Singers under the direction of Mrs. J. A. Myers. Then followed the Scripture reading and a short eulogy by Rev. Ellington.

Another eulogy on the life of Dr. Stewart was delivered by Mr. Vernon Tupper, distinguished Nashville business man and civic leader, who had served for many years on the Fisk trustee board with Dr. Stewart. Mr. Tupper gave high praise for the fine service Dr. Stewart had rendered on the Fisk Board and extolled his worth as a citizen.

The obituary was read by Miss Lena T. Jackson, Pearl High School teacher and a classmate of Dr. Stewart, who graduated with him in the Fisk class of 1885. Closing remarks on the funeral program were delivered by the Hon. J. C. Napier, Cashier of the Citizens Bank and long an associate of Dr. Stewart's in civic and business activities. Another song by the Jubilee Singers and benediction by the Rev. R. A. Ewing, pastor of Howard Congregational church brought the touching funeral service to a close.

## Life Sketch

Dr. Stewart was a native of Mobile, Ala., and was born in that city Aug. 6, 1862. He attended the public schools of Mobile and later Emerson Institute where he graduated in 1880. One of those peculiar acts of fate which often have changed the lives of individuals and the history of nations, happened in the life of Dr. Stewart upon his graduation at Emerson Institute, and served to lead him away from a

career as an educator into the profession of medicine.

In 1880 Dr. Stewart was elected to the principalship of the new school which had been established at Tuskegee, Ala. He left Mobile to open the school but upon his arrival found out that the trustees had postponed the opening of the school from August to October. The young teacher decided not to wait until October to go to work, but instead, left Alabama for Nashville to enter Fisk University. The trustees, as is well known had to get another teacher and chose Booker T. Washington, the Virginian who wrought so nobly in building Tuskegee into a world-famous institution.

Young Stewart entered Fisk in the fall of 1880, served three years as assistant librarian at the university and graduated in 1885. That fall he went to Cambridge, Mass., and entered the Medical School of Harvard University, graduating as a physician in 1888. It was on November 22 of that year that he "hung out his shingle" as a practicing physician in Nashville and continued in the practice until his retirement in 1930.

He was chosen a member of the Meharry Medical College faculty in 1889, served 18 years as professor of Pathology and 22 years as head of the Department of Surgery at Meharry. He also served as consulting physician at Fisk University.

In 1890 he wed Miss Annie Compton, the marriage ceremony being preformed by Dr. Milo Cravath, then President of Fisk University. Shortly after their marriage the Stewarts moved into their home on Eighth Avenue, North. To the union were born two children, F. A. Stewart, Jr., now a practicing physician in New York and Annie, now on the staff at Fisk.

Dr. Stewart is survived by his wife, Mrs. Annie Compton Stewart, son, Dr. F. A. Stewart, Jr.; daughter, Miss Annie Stewart; sister, Mrs. Clara Towns of Philadelphia; brother-in-law, W. H. Compton; sisters-in-law, Mrs. M. L. Edmonson and Mrs. Lottie Stewart of Akron, O., and other relatives.

Pallbearers at the funeral were honorary: J. C. Napier, Jesse F. Beals, T. W. Talley, B. F. Cox, Pres. W. J. Hale, Dean A. A. Taylor of Fisk, Dr. Carl M. White, Dr. J. J. Mallowney, W. N. Sanders, C. B. Lowe, Dr. Harold F. Smith, Dr. C. E. Van Horn; Active: Drs. W. A. Beck, R. H. Vorhees, J. A. McMillan, J. H. Hale, F. McClen-don, W. A. Reed, J. A. Napier and H. D. Richardson.

# Prominent Nashville Barrister Is Buried

W. D. Hawkins, Sr., Victim of Hit-Run Driver—Had  
Lived In Nashville 35 Years.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 21—Impressive funeral services were held last Friday for W. D. Hawkins, Sr., 65, local professional and business man, who was struck and fatally injured last Monday by a hit-run driver. He died Tuesday at General Hospital.

The Rev. H. H. Jones, pastor of Braden Memorial Church, officiated at the rites which were held at Seay Memorial.

Mr. Hawkins, a graduate of Central Tennessee College, where he obtained his bachelor of laws degree, had been a resident of Nashville for over 35 years.

At the time of his death he was a member of Braden Memorial Methodist Church, manager of Star Realty and Investment Company, secretary of the board of trustees of the Mt. Ararat cemetery, member of the J. C. Napier Bar Association, chairman of the executive committee of the Nashville Negro Board of Trade, member of the Agora Assembly, a member of the Alpha Alpha Fraternity, and a 32nd degree Mason. For years he had been actively engaged in many local civic, religious and fraternal affairs. He was formerly a teacher at Walden College.

His widow, Mrs. S. M. Hawkins, two daughters, Misses Mary E. and Nellie Ruth Hawkins; two sons, W. D. Hawkins, Jr., and Lloyd W. Hawkins, survive him.

He is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Lydia Hight, of Bluefield, W. Va., and several cousins.



# GUS ADAMS OF TEXAS DIES; WAS INVENTOR

Call 3-4-37  
White Employer Took Credit on Patent for Post Hole Digger

YORKTOWN, Texas. — Gus Adams, 71-year-old blacksmith who invented the Post Hole digger for which his white employer took credit, died at the family home here on March 4.

Mr. Adams, who worked on only two jobs during his life-time, began work with the Armstrong blacksmith and Manufacturing company in Weimar, Texas, at the age of 8. During the 26 years he was employed there, he invented the Post Hole digger but when the patent was applied for, the name of Armstrong, the white employer, was used instead of Adams'.

When Mr. Adams expressed his dissatisfaction, Mr. Armstrong gave him a royalty on the patent. In 1900, Mr. Adams moved to Yorktown where he entered the employ of Otto Gipp's Blacksmith and Wheelwright company, remaining there until his death. He was so efficient that he was made sole manager of the establishment.

Self Educated  
Although he never spent a day in school, he mastered the square and compass, learned to read and print and could outfigure the average college student.

He was born and reared in Weimar, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Gus Adams.

Mr. Adams was superintendent of the Rising Star Baptist church Sunday school for 36 years. He was trustee of the public school board here and during the early days when Negro companies were a part of the state militia, Mr. Adams was a member. He was a charter member of the Odd Fellows and Masonic lodges.

On November 29, 1887, he married Miss Julia Brembray of Weimar, Texas. Next November, they would have celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

There were 10 children, seven of whom survive.

Survivors  
Funeral services were held at

Yorktown and on Sunday and at Weimar on Tuesday at the Mt. Arie Baptist church of which Mr. Adams was a member before moving to Yorktown.

Mr. Adams is survived by his widow, Mrs. Julia Adams; five sons, Millard Adams of Phoenix, Ariz.; Alexander Adams of San Antonio; Gus Adams Jr. of Seattle, Wash.; Jesse Adams of Chicago, and Shelby Adams of Denver; two daughters, Mrs. Alma LaMare of Washington and Mrs. Helen Davis of Brawley, Cal.; a brother, John Adams of Weimar; a sister, Mrs. Ida Adams of Leavenworth; 100 grandchildren and a great grandchild.

Burial was in the Odd Fellows plot in the Weimar cemetery.

Relatives who attended the funeral were: Mrs. Alma LaMare of Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Adams and daughter, Juanita, of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Adams of Denver.

The widow will go to Washington to live with her daughter, Mrs. LaMare, for an indefinite period. Mrs. Shelby Adams is the CALL'S correspondent in Denver.

Mr. Adams' brother, John Adams, 74, has worked for the Hill-Cottonseed Oil Manufacturing company in Weimar for 54 years.

## Prince Dies

Call 8-27-37  
33-Year-Old Woman Was Ill 15 Years

FORT WORTH. (ANS) — Mrs. Cornelia Martin Prince, wife of the Rev. S. R. Prince, president of the General Baptist convention of Texas, died at the family residence here August 1.

Mrs. Prince, 63 years old, had been in ill health for 15 years. Beside her husband, she is survived by four daughters. Sam of Fort Worth, Luther Prince of Dallas and Ernest Prince of Kansas City.

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# CHARLES BELLINGER DIES OF HEART TROUBLE

Call 6-18-37  
End Comes to Colorful Figure in San Antonio Civic, Political Life

SAN ANTONIO. — Charles Bellinger, 62-year-old millionaire and politician, died suddenly Monday morning, June 14, about 3:55 o'clock following a heart attack which he suffered in the office of the Bellinger Construction and Realty company, 517 East Commerce street.

Mr. Bellinger was rushed to the Santa Rosa hospital where the end came minutes later. Although he had been suffering from heart trouble for over a year, Mr. Bellinger's death came as a shock to both relatives and friends. He had gone to the office of his realty company, of which he is president and his son, Valmo, is secretary, as was his usual morning custom.

San Antonio daily newspapers headlined his death. Mr. Bellinger was a well-known figure in San Antonio's civic and political life. He gave freely to Negro and white charities for over a quarter of a century.

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come tax invasion. Feeling that he was a victim of a deliberate frame-up on the part of his enemies, he decided to fight the case but on advice of his lawyers and close friends, he pleaded guilty to evading a tax of \$142,116 and was given a sentence in Leavenworth for 18 months.

He served only a few months. Failing health and his record were brought before President Roosevelt and Mr. Bellinger was pardoned. He returned here to devote his time to his property.

Mr. Bellinger divorced his first wife, the mother of his children and married again. He built a pretentious mansion and his home covers one entire block in the southwest section of the city across from a white park. It was the envy of all white and black.

Mayor Sides With Him

Whites who sought to have him halted in his move to build are said to have appealed to the mayor whom Mr. Bellinger with the aid of the Mexican political leader, had helped to elect. The mayor is said to have told the delegation that "Charlie Bellinger could build where he d— well pleased and he was sure that he, the city of San Antonio and the delegation would be proud to point Charlie's home out as one of the show places of the city."

It was—and so is. It is on South New Braunfels avenue.

Mr. Bellinger leaves a widow, Mrs. Addie Ray Bellinger; three daughters, Mrs. Ruth Ann Phillips and Miss Cecile Bellinger, both of San Antonio and Mrs. Ruth Gordon Valmo, graduate of Lincoln university of Los Angeles; two sons, Harry student at the University of Minnesota, to operate.

## BURY CHARLES BELLINGER OF SAN ANTONIO

Call  
Funeral Procession Is 45

## Blocks Long; Hundreds Attend Rites

Call 6-25-37  
SAN ANTONIO. — Funeral services for Charles Bellinger, business man, financier, politician and civic leader, were the largest ever held in this city in recent years. The funeral procession, with 12 motorcycle policemen as escort, was 45 city blocks long.

The services were held Thursday, June 17, in the library auditorium, a \$110,000 edifice made possible for Negro citizens by Mr. Bellinger. With 2,000 persons filling the auditorium, more than 500 others stood outside, unable to gain entrance.

Mayor Is Present  
Among the hundreds who attended the services were Mayor C. K. Quin, Tax Commissioner Frank H. Eushick, Street Commissioner Paul Steffler, Police and Fire Commissioner Phil Wright, Chief of Police Kilday and many others prominent in business and political circles.

The services at the auditorium—which were preceded by short services for the family at the Bellinger home, 518 South New Braunfels avenue—required less than an hour.

The Rev. G. A. Deslandes, pastor of the St. Paul M. E. church, delivered the eulogy. Others participating in the services were the Rev. G. F. C. Curry, the Rev. W. S. Brent, the Rev. J. L. Taylor, Mrs. Maggie Coffey, Mrs. Vera Andrews, the Rev. J. P. Phoenix, Mrs. L. L. Taylor.

The Starr Tom lodge, A. F. and A. M., conducted Masonic rites at the Eastview cemetery.

Stricken While Talking  
Mr. Bellinger was stricken Monday, June 14, in his real estate office at 517 East Commerce street. He was engaged in conversation with the Rev. S. L. Davis when suddenly, he exclaimed, "Wait a minute," and slumped in his chair.

He was rushed to the Santa Rosa hospital where he died shortly after arrival.

Mr. Bellinger was born in Lockhart, Texas, 60 years ago, the son of that city's outstanding blacksmith and wheelwright.

Since 1905, he had lived in San Antonio, rising from obscurity to the position of San Antonio's "first Negro citizen."

For over a quarter of a century, Charles Bellinger was the most important single figure in San Antonio politics and was acknowledged and recognized leader of San Antonio's solid Negro vote.

He was a successful real estate dealer, established the San Antonio Register, weekly newspaper now operated by his son, Valmo

Gordon of Los Angeles; two sons, Valmo C. and Harry Bellinger of San Antonio; and three brothers, Lou Bellinger of this city; Henry Bellinger of Austin and Firt Bellinger of Taylor, and a sister, Betty Bellinger of Lockhart. Bellinger's wife was Hal Mann, Currier, J. R. Morris Sr., and J. O. Sutton, J. R. Morris Jr., and E. Shelby.



## Negro Educator Here For Over Quarter of Century Dies Friday

Funeral services were held Sunday in Shreveport, La., for Allie Walker Doyle, who would have reached her 68th birthday August 19, and interment was made in the family plot in the cemetery there. Mrs. Doyle died last Friday at her home on Houston Street after an illness of three month's duration.

She came to Kerrville with her husband the late Reverend Doyle, and three sons over 30 years ago for the benefit of Reverend Doyle's health. Soon after her arrival here she found that the education among the people of her race was sadly neglected, and set about to do her part in lifting the veil of ignorance. She collected money from the Negroes of the city and purchased three lots in the center of the settlement. She persuaded the members of the School Board of the city to donate the old school building for the purpose of establishing the Negro School. She was the only teacher for many years, and had served as principal for more than 25 years.

Always among her people she has been an inspiration and a leader. Two generations of her race have attended the school she has taught and this has been their entire scholastic education. She was recognized as an educator and was one of the early graduates of Tuskegee Institute, which was founded by the late Booker T. Washington. She also attended in later years, the State Normal School at Prairie View.

She was the mother of four sons, one of whom died in early youth while in Louisiana. Another son, Capt. Alvin Doyle, was killed in action while his Infantry Company was on duty in France. Henry Doyle of this city, and Rev. Bertam Doyle, dean of education in Fisk University in Nashville, Tenn., survive their mother.

While the body rested in the home here before being entrained for Shreveport, masses of flowers from people in all stations in life and from the White, Red and Black races filled the rooms, as a token of appreciation for this leader of her people.

## Texas Court Adjourns to Honor Dead Negro Woman

HOUSTON. — (ANP) — An unusual tribute was paid an aged Negro woman here last week when the federal court for the Southern District of Texas adjourned so that judges, lawyers and court attaches might pay their last respects at the bier of Mrs. Pattie Adkins.

She was the wife of Court Messenger John Adkins, veteran of 35 years' service, who daily brought her husband's lunch at noon, and invariably brought cake, cookies, or other homemade delicacies for the court attaches.

At her funeral there were tears in the eyes of many distinguished jurists and lawyers, including District Judge J. C. Hutcheson of New Orleans, and Federal Judge T. M. Kennerly.

## DR. J. R. MOORE, SAN ANTONIO DOCTOR, DIES

*Call 10-22-37*  
Former Postmaster of  
Texas Town Was 67  
*Kerrville*  
Years Old

SAN ANTONIO. — Dr. John R. Moore, retiring president of the Lone Star State Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical association which he helped organize 40 years ago, was buried Wednesday, October 13. He died Monday, October 11, at the age of 67.

Dr. Moore, a native Texan, was former postmaster of Washington, Texas, during President Grover Cleveland's administration.

Dr. Moore was graduated from the Prairie View State college in 1889. He taught in Manor, Texas, for two years before entering the Meharry Medical college from where he was graduated as a physician and surgeon in 1894.

He practiced in Taylor, Texas, a year before moving to Washington, Texas. He came here in 1920, becoming one of the city's most outstanding citizens.

Dr. Moore is survived by his widow, Mrs. Annie J. Moore; a son, R. S. L. Moore of Los Angeles; a sister, Mrs. Mayme J. Broyles of Los Angeles; a brother, L. V. Moore of Baltimore.



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January 13, 1937

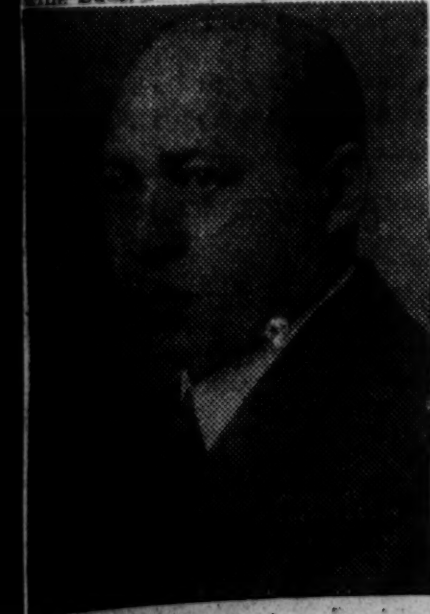
## Dr. Winslow Dies After Year's Decline

Dr. A. L. Winslow, one of Danville's pioneer negro physicians, died at 7:45 this morning at his home 341 Holbrook street where recently he had been declining in health. He was 70 years of age and a native of Elizabeth City, N. C.

He came to Danville 44 years ago being the second colored doctor to locate here and established a wide practice among the members of his race. His name was almost a tradition among colored people and he was highly regarded by his white colleagues.

He obtained his degree at Shaw University at Raleigh, N. C. and came to Danville in 1893 beginning a service not only in the ministration to bodily ills but to the advancement of the colored people. He was active in church, civic and fraternal organizations and was one of the founders of the Danville Savings Bank and Trust company being vice-president at the time of his death. For more than thirty years he was superintendent of High Street Baptist church in which he was a deacon and where his funeral will take place on Friday evening.

He lost his wife last March but was himself ailing at the time. A muscular atrophy robbed him of the power of his arms and for the past year he had not practiced. A daughter, Catherine Luck, survives him.



ATTORNEY JOSEPH R. POLLARD

## Prominent Local Attorney Dies; Had Brilliant Career

Joseph R. Pollard, prominent Richmond attorney and a scion of a family long prominent in Virginia, passed away at his home here at 305 E. Clay street, 5.30 Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Pollard had enjoyed a long and brilliant legal career. He shared with J. Thomas Newsome, of Newport News, and J. C. Carter, of Danville, the distinction of being the best known Negro lawyers in the state. He appeared as counsel in many outstanding cases, complete surprise to his friends. He had been in failing health for some time but his death came as a complete surprise to his friends. The funeral arrangements had not been completed at this writing, but the funeral will be held from First Baptist Church on Sunday, with Dr. W. T. Johnson, pastor, presiding.

Three children were born of that union; Joseph R. Pollard, Jr., of Washington, D. C.; Pierpont Morgan Pollard and Miss Lea Pollard, both of Richmond. One sister, Mrs. Martha P. Watson; and two brothers, Isaiah Pollard, of Richmond; and Samuel Pollard, of Philadelphia, survive Mr. Pollard in addition to his children, and 6 grandchildren.

Mr. Pollard passed away at 5.30 p. m. Tuesday, February 16, after a brief illness. He had been in failing health for some time but his death came as a complete surprise to his friends. The funeral arrangements had not been completed at this writing, but the funeral will be held from First Baptist Church on Sunday, with Dr. W. T. Johnson, pastor, presiding.

Newport News, Va. Press  
February 27, 1937

## Dr. Smith, Local Negro Physician, Taken By Death

Dr. E. E. Smith, local Negro physician, died at 3:30 yesterday afternoon at his home, 2306 Marshall avenue. Funeral arrangements had not been completed last night.

Dr. Smith had been in failing health two years. His death, however, was unexpected.

Dr. Smith came to Newport News 24 years ago and built up a large practice among the Negro race. He was a member of the staff of the Whittaker Memorial hospital.

He was a native of Fayetteville, N. C., and was a son of the late Dr. E. E. Smith, prominent in Negro educational circles and president of the State Normal school at Fayetteville.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. May Smith; his stepmother, Mrs. E. E. Smith Sr., of Fayetteville; and other relatives.

### At Claremont

Following the death of Prof. John J. Smallwood, Mr. Pollard became the president of Claremont Industrial School, which was founded by Smallwood. He served in this capacity for a brief period and resumed the practice of his profession.

Mr. Pollard was born June 7, 1886, in the city of Richmond, the son of Martha Harris Pollard and William Henry Pollard, both of Richmond. He received his early education in the public schools of this city and was a graduate of the Howard Law School Washington, D. C.

Thirty years ago—May 17, 1907—Mr. Pollard took unto himself a life companion in the person of Miss Ida A. Morgan, the daughter of Mrs. Sarah E. and Edward Morgan, both of this

Richmond, Va., Times-Dispatch  
August 20, 1937

## Negro Educator Buried in Staunton

STAUNTON—Oliver James Derrett Sr., Negro educator who died in Salisbury, Md., Saturday, was buried here Tuesday after funeral services at the Augusta Street Methodist Church conducted by the Rev. D. M. Pleasants.

A 33rd degree Mason, he was born in Madison County May 6, 1858, and was graduated from Hampton Institute in 1883. He taught public schools for 47 years, 36 of them here, before he retired in 1920. He leaves three sons, one daughter and four sisters.

Survivors: Mrs. Imogene Perkins, 410 Charlotte St.; Mrs. Lucille W. Carter, 634 Chapel St.; and Mrs. Rosa W. Robinson of 614 Brewer St.; three nephews, Messrs. Luther Leo and Walter Williams, all of Norfolk, and several great nieces and nephews.

## Death Claims Mrs. Ward, Tents' Head, In 74th Year

### Brilliant Career As Fraternal Head, Civic and Church Leader Covered 50-Year Period

Confined to her home for only three weeks, death on Sunday morning claimed Mrs. Adaline M. Ward, one of the city's best beloved and most prominent citizens.

The epitome of the well-known fraternal head, civic leader, and churchwoman shortly before 11 o'clock and cut short a brilliant career which had covered a period of more than 50 years. Mrs. Ward was 73 years of age.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at one o'clock at St. John A. M. E. Church Bute Street where the deceased held membership for 55 years. The Rev. J. A. Young, D.D., pastor, will officiate, and is expected to be assisted by the Rev. R. H. Bowling, pastor of the Bute Street First Baptist Church.

The Rev. L. L. Berry, D.D., a former pastor of St. John's, and now secretary-treasurer of the missionary department of the A. M. E. Church, has also been asked to assist with the obsequies.

National superintendents of the United Order of Tents from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Virginia will be present and conduct their official ceremonies.

The body of the well-known fraternal leader will lie in state at the church beginning at ten a. m., and is expected to be viewed by

hundreds of persons before the time of final rites. Interment will be in West Point Cemetery.

Mrs. Ward passed away at her home at 614 Brewer St., where she had lived for the past 70 years, after an illness of only three weeks according to members of the immediate family. Just prior to her illness she had made an official business trip to Method, N. C.

### WAS ACTIVE IN TENTS FOR 40 YEARS

Best known perhaps for her connection with the United Order of Tents J. R. Giddings and Jolliffe Union, Mrs. Ward had been active in the fraternal order for more than 40 years, and for the past 15 years had served as its active president. Under her administration the fraternity had grown until its assets at the last annual meeting in Wilmington, N. C., last May were given as in excess of a quarter of a million dollars.

Prior to becoming head of the organization Mrs. Ward had served as its secretary for 25 years. Out of respect for its leader the Tents Hall at 1622 Church Street will remain closed until Friday of this week.

The deceased fraternal leader was also active in other local orders being connected officially as associate to the grand secretary of the Independent Order of Good Samari-

ans and Daughters of Samaria. In addition she held membership in public school teachers in Norfolk, this distinction and in addition the Phyllis Wheatley Circle No. 1, and at the time of her death was a served as secretary of the board auxiliary to the Sons of Norfolk member of the board of directors until the state of her health forced her to relinquish this post. Among the other activities of the deceased in St. John's Church was the organization several years ago of the M. R. A. (Mortgage Removal Act). She was a member of the church's board of trustees being one of the Mrs. Ward is survived by three



# Illness Fata To West Indies Colored Judge

## S. J. Van Sertima Was First of Race To Achieve Honor

GEORGETOWN, British Guiana, (ANP)—British Guiana lost one of its most distinguished colored sons last week when Sydney J. Van Sertima, British Guiana's youngest King's Counsel and one of the most brilliant scholars and lawyers in the West Indies, died after an illness of two months. He was 42.

Mr. Van Sertima was taken ill a month after his appointment as Crown Counsel in Nigeria which he should have taken up this month. After winning an open scholarship at the age of eleven, Mr. Van Sertima entered Queen's college the same year to win a Mitchell scholarship two years later.

He crowned his scholastic career in British Guiana by winning the Guiana Scholarship (English University Open Scholarship Standard) in 1914, specializing in Classics. Later the same year, he left British Guiana and entered Oxford University.

### WAS WAR PRISONER

Young Van Sertima enlisted for service in 1915 with the Middlesex regiment and served overseas for three and a half years. In the last eight months of the war he was taken prisoner in Germany, but after demobilization in February, 1919, he resumed studies at Oxford.

By the end of 1919, Mr. Van Sertima completed the whole course of his bar examinations and was awarded a studentship of 500 guineas per year for three years by the Council of Legal Education—an offer to the student who was first in the bar final examination and had attained a requisite standard in the first class division.

In June the following year, Mr. Van Sertima took the War degree of B. A., Oxford, and at the end of the same year he won the Barstow scholarship, the blue ribbon of English legal scholarships. Since his death, E. M. Duke, Negro registrar of British Guiana, has gained

the distinction of being the only Barstow scholar in British Guiana and the West Indies.

In June, 1921, Mr. Van Sertima obtained first-class honors at Oxford in the examination held for the degree of Bachelor of Civil laws. In March Mr. Van Sertima returned to British Guiana and was admitted to practise at the local bar in April of the same year. His legal activities had been extremely creditable.



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# Founder Of Orphans Home Passes Away

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Rev. Charles McGhee  
Dies In Huntington,  
West Virginia  
*Huntington, Va.*

HUNTINGTON, W. Va.—Reverend Charles E. McGhee, 79 years old, founder of the West Virginia Colored Home and one of the city's outstanding colored citizens died last week at his home, 1632 Eighth Avenue.

Death was not unexpected. He had been in failing health for some time and several months ago became bedfast.

Rev. McGhee was born in Franklin County, Va. In 1898 he moved to Huntington, West Virginia. The same year he founded an orphanage for colored children. He maintained the home by private endowments until 1914 when the state recognized its importance and purchased his entire holdings. For three years he remained in the capacity of superintendent.

He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Lucie D. Fountaine, principal of the McKinney school here; Mrs. O. T. Mitchell, of New York City, and Mrs. R. S. Harriston, of Winston-Salem, North Carolina; an adopted daughter, Mrs. Mardy, of Columbus, Ohio; an adopted son, Frank Williams, of this city, and a sister, Mrs. Maria Woody of this city.